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CAIRO STUDENTS PROTEST

CAIRO (AP). — About 300 students staged anti-government demonstrations near Cairo and Ein Shams universities yesterday, but were quickly dispersed by police, Egyptian security officials said.

The demonstrations were aimed at winning the release of 200 people who led a cost-of-living demonstration here on New Year's Day. A plan to strike the 55,000-student Cairo University on Saturday in protest over the arrests failed to win student support and the university was open as usual yesterday.

Officials said many of the 200 detainees are members of the outlawed Communist Party and other leftist organizations. The demonstration leaders were charged with using Egypt's current economic troubles as a convenient device.

The Egyptian Cabinet, in a 10-hour meeting on Sunday, allocated new amounts of money for imports this year of food supplies, including sugar, tea, beans, lentils, flour and wheat.

Dr. K seeks face-to-face Sadat meeting

May see Rabin after Allon

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger will have no alternative but to return to the Middle East in late January or early February in order to mediate another Israel-Egyptian agreement in Sinai, according to informed officials here.

These officials believe that the only diplomatic framework which will allow Kissinger to exert the necessary political concessions from Egyptian President Sadat is through a face-to-face meeting.

It is similarly believed that despite Kissinger's forthcoming Washington meeting with Foreign Minister Allon next week, the Secretary will still have to meet with Prime Minister Rabin — and perhaps the entire Israeli Cabinet — in order to bridge the gap between the two sides.

Israeli officials explained that the Kissinger return visit to the Middle East would be necessary because the current diplomatic framework used to conduct the three-party talks does not allow Sadat to be as forthcoming as he could be in direct talks with Kissinger.

U.S. Ambassador in Cairo Herman Eilts has been meeting regularly over the past few weeks with Sadat and Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy. Because Eilts is forced to cable the contents of these discussions back to the State Department, where they are reviewed by the various desk and regional Middle East officers, and only then forwarded to Kissinger and other top officials, Sadat fears possible low-level leaks.

It seems obvious that any real political concessions Egypt may offer to Israel can only be made in personal talks between Kissinger and Sadat, and until then a breakthrough in the negotiations is unlikely, according to the officials here.

Regarding the upcoming Allon visit, the officials expressed the opinion that no dramatic outcome will emerge since much will depend on the Kissinger-Sadat meeting.

The Allon visit will focus on bilateral exchanges of the general political situation in the Middle East and the possibility for an Israeli-Egyptian accord.

Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz met on Sunday night once again with Kissinger to review the picture and to organize the Allon visit. Dinitz is due to meet today with Secretary of Defence James Schlesinger to discuss recent strategic developments in the Middle East. Allon is similarly expected to meet with Schlesinger during his visit.

Informed officials here maintain that neither Egypt nor the United States has linked talks on the Egyptian front with possible negotiations between Israel and Syria. Egypt is still prepared to move unilaterally in order to achieve another accord, according to the officials.

Meanwhile, recent intelligence reports in Washington have shown that one of the major reasons that Egypt did not accept the Soviet offer to resume massive arms shipments and to bring in Soviet advisers was because Sadat's current position in Egypt has weakened considerably over the past few weeks. Return of the Soviets to Egypt could have further endangered Sadat's rule, according to the reports.

The intelligence reports pointed to the state of the Egyptian economy, recent riots, criticism within the military and Egyptian disappointment in the West as some of the reasons why Sadat's position has weakened.

One positive sign which indicates that another agreement with Israel is not only feasible but likely is that Sadat feels that additional signs of progress and continued momentum — for him the return of more of Sinai — will strengthen his internal position.

Meanwhile, the "Washington Post" reported yesterday that the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency has evidence that Israel already has the nuclear bomb and that its nuclear-capable Jericho missiles were once targeted on Egypt's Aswan Dam so that Cairo and the Nile Valley could be flooded if "all seemed lost."

In a long report on the technological equipment available to the CIA in intelligence gathering, the "Post" indicated that the Jericho missiles are no longer targeted on the dam.

Peres warns against Syrian army entry to Lebanese areas

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Post Knesset Reporter

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At question time in the Knesset yesterday, replying to a question by David Coren (Alignment) submitted a few hours earlier, Peres revealed officially for the first time, that a unit of Palestine terrorists had entered Lebanon from Syria. It was equipped with combat vehicles, and anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons. It was deployed within terrorist concentrations in the Beirut area and in Southern Lebanon, he said.

Peres declared that Syria, foremost among a number of Arab states, was looking greedily in Lebanon's direction. Ostensibly out of concern for Lebanon's fate, these countries were trying to obtain Beirut's agreement to send expeditionary forces in, to be based on Lebanese soil.

(Syrian President Hafez Assad is due to arrive in Beirut today on the first official visit made by a Syrian head of state to Lebanon in 18 years.)

The Defence Minister said these Arab countries were transforming Lebanon from a land of restraint to a land of confrontation, with a satellite government under the yoke of a foreign army.

Peres warned that Syria had not abandoned its expansionist tendencies — so well remembered in north Jordan — from the last invasion.

At the time, Israel had made it clear to Jordan that it would regard the presence of a Syrian force on Jordanian soil as a hostile act, because of Syria's explicit aggressive designs upon Israel. Syrian soldiers, outside Syrian soil, heralded a confrontation, he said.

Peres said that Israel would not offer Lebanon any advice. But it regretted the erosion of Lebanese sovereignty. Jordan, in its day, had grasped the threat posed by the terrorists. Just as Jordan saved itself, he said, so too should Lebanon draw its own conclusions.

The IDF, whatever the case, would not allow the borders of Israel to be violated, nor would it let villages and inhabitants become targets for terrorists of foreign armies, he warned.

The Defence Minister said that Israel never had designs on Lebanon's sovereignty or independence, and did not intend to interfere in Lebanon's internal affairs. But it could not turn a blind eye to the incessant threats posed by non-Lebanese forces against the welfare and internal balance of Lebanon, as well as against the security of Israel's northern border.

Peres listed the nine terrorist groups based in Lebanon and linked to various other Arab states. They feed on the splits in the Arab world and fuel its extremist fires, he said. They turned Lebanon into an operational base, because of that country's characteristically weak response to threats against it.

Peres said that the terrorist organizations had set up bases in Fatahland, in southern Lebanon between the Litani River and the Israeli border, and in camps, the two most important of which were south of Beirut and north of Rosh Hanikra.

In Beirut Prime Minister Rashid Solh accused Israel of planning further attacks on Lebanon, and denied reports of non-Lebanese military presence in the country. Replying to Mr. Peres' statement, he said, "The Lebanese Government reiterates what it has always said, and that is: there are no non-Lebanese soldiers on Lebanese soil."



The Defence Minister converses with an elderly pilgrim who returned from Mecca at Allenby Bridge yesterday. (Rahamim Israeli)

Defence Minister meets pilgrims from Mecca

Jerusalem Post Reporter

DEFENCE MINISTER Shimon Peres yesterday visited the Allenby Bridge where he chatted with West Bank residents returning from the long pilgrimage *(Haj)* to Mecca.

Mr. Peres said that the government would soon introduce substantial improvements at the Jordan bridges. He noted that the frontier bridges were "another window where Israeli officials should maintain a high profile."

In reply to reporters' questions, Peres said that the government has outlined no concrete proposals concerning the political future of the West Bank population, and that there had been "only feelers" on various possibilities. He said he had the feeling that the local leadership found it "uncomfortable" to make decisions at this stage.

In reply to another question, the Defence Minister said that the government made no new decisions with regard to the next phase of possible negotiations with Egypt for a further settlement in Sinai. "We are eagerly waiting to see what Egypt would propose," Peres said, stressing that future moves would have to include "a settlement or peace."

Talks with U.S. on oil supply

ALLON TO MEET K NEXT WEEK

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

FOREIGN MINISTER Yigal Allon will meet with American Secretary of State Henry Kissinger on Wednesday next week and not this Thursday as had originally been scheduled. The official announcement of the meeting was made simultaneously in Washington and Jerusalem yesterday. Mr. Allon will now visit Washington on his way home from a UJA engagement on the West Coast, and not on his way to the engagement, as had been the original itinerary.

Officials said the change in schedule was not of major significance. It indicated, they said, that both the Secretary and the Foreign Minister preferred to hold further consultations with their own advisers before exchanging views on the chances of a second-stage settlement with Egypt.

Officials said here last night that Mr. Allon would be "bringing no maps with him" to Washington, and that no special Cabinet meeting was scheduled prior to his departure.

On the other hand, well-placed sources revealed that the Secretary is requesting more specific and detailed proposals from Mr. Allon this time than those which he presented on his last visit, early in December. These sources insisted that the Secretary was "requesting" — he was not "pressing."

A high source has meanwhile revealed to The Jerusalem Post that tentative talks have been held between U.S. and Israeli officials on possible American action to ensure Israel's supply of oil and other raw materials. Such "consultations" were foreshadowed in the Nixon-Rabin joint communique issued in Jerusalem in June 1974.

The talks to date, however, have been on an economic rather than political plane, it is understood. They have not touched upon the question of the Abu Rodeis oil field on the Gulf of Suez, which Egypt demands that Israel hand back as part of a second-stage settlement.

Some observers speculated that Israel's possible readiness to contemplate concessions on the Abu Rodeis issue would hinge upon effective arrangements made by the U.S. to ensure its future oil supplies.

Officials when questioned have been reluctant to discuss what sort of arrangements would be considered effective and acceptable. They point out that the U.S. buys oil from almost all the major producing countries, in the Middle East, in West Africa and in South America.

Officials here have indicated privately that if the fate of second-stage negotiations with Egypt were to hang in the balance over the Abu Rodeis question, Israel would "do its utmost" to find a solution that would save the talks from break-down. It is understood that such indications — still unspecific and highly tentative — have been conveyed to Washington too.

Any concessions over Abu Rodeis, it has been stressed, however, would have to entail parallel Egyptian political concessions since in the Israeli conception a second-stage settlement is seen as a closely-linked set of political and military provisions all inter-related and each intimately affecting the other. Israel's attitude to any single aspect of an agreement would be coloured by Egypt's approach to other connected aspects, officials here explained.

Bonn said likely to allow U.S. arms to Israel in war

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — The Bonn Government remained non-committal yesterday about possibly permitting U.S. arms shipments from American bases in Germany to Israel in a new Mideast war, but a newspaper here said the West Germans appeared ready to tolerate such shipments.

The respected "Frankfurter Allgemeine" newspaper said that the U.S. and Bonn had sought arrangements in case of a Mideast war and it was "apparent" the shipments could take place as long as they did not become public.

The newspaper said that as long as arms deliveries by ship and air took place with an "undetermined" destination, the Germans could argue that this did not violate their "balanced policy" in the Mideast.

A government spokesmen commented officially only that Bonn "would not participate in hypothetical considerations."

Towards the end of the Yom Kippur War in October 1973 the West German Government of then Chancellor Willy Brandt strongly protested to Washington after newspapers here disclosed that several Israeli ships openly flying the Israel flag had loaded U.S. tanks and other heavy weapons in the port of Bremerhaven.

The revelations and the protest led to a temporary cooling of relations between Bonn and Washington and fuelled charges that the U.S. had not consulted its allies in Europe.

Since then the question of arms shipments to Israel appears to have been the subject of U.S.-German consultations, but Chancellor Helmut Schmidt has not indicated publicly which course Bonn might follow in an emergency.

In an interview with the news magazine "Der Spiegel" Mr. Schmidt said he knew of no "pressure" from the U.S. on Bonn to permit such shipments, adding that he "would also not allow it (pressure)."

Satisfaction in North over Knesset statement

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AV AM. — A general sense tisfaction with Defence Min- Shimon Peres's speech in the et concerning possible Syrian ention in Lebanon was ex- d yesterday by officials of il councils throughout the

the northern frontier Israel Force units are fortifying nts and strongholds in a le operation which began nonths ago. Fortification and around Kibbutzim and continues unabated des- inclement weather condi- people in the north said to get more funds from ment to complete the de- e Lebanese border.

it was learned that Liberation Army units d in Lebanon have them from Syria a i-tank weapons includ- nd Chinese recoilless have previously t use and were film- ars ago by a French The French film terrorist group us- inst Israeli targets. was also shown on Israel Television.

The terrorists also have anti-tank missiles of both Russian and West German manufacture. The West German missiles are of the Cobra type.

The terrorists have improved their anti-aircraft units and are now using Sam-7 missiles and some anti-aircraft guns of the same type as those employed by the Syrian army. PLO units are also equipped with armoured personnel carriers and four-wheel drive vehicles of Japanese, Russian and British origin.

Security experts in the north noted that Syria has, in the past, already used Lebanon as a base for Syrian military purposes. On June 21, 1972, Israeli soldiers captured near the Lebanese village of Marwahin four high-ranking Syrian officers from the Syrian Air Force. Syrian intelligence groups or terrorists operated by Syrian intelligence infiltrated into Israel both before and after the Yom Kippur War.

Less service for reservists in border towns

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Army reservists who live in border villages and whose presence at home is essential for the permanent defence of these villages against terror attacks may be released from some of their reserves service in future.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres revealed this plan in the Knesset yesterday in reply to an urgent motion for the agenda by Avraham Gewelber (Alignment) calling for more government and volunteer aid to border settlements. The motion was moved to committee.

The Minister urged a wave of volunteering from the towns to help with work and guard duty in border villages.

SHAH VISITS JORDAN

AMMAN (UPI). — The Shah of Iran arrived yesterday for an official three-day visit to Jordan and talks with King Hussein on the Middle East crisis and Jordan's efforts to mediate in the festering dispute between Iran and Iraq.

A 21-gun salute boomed a welcome as the two monarchs embraced at Amman airport when the Shah flew in accompanied by Empress Farah Diba. Hussein and Queen Alia headed a greeting line of scores of government and diplomatic dignitaries.

The visit by the Shah is regarded as historic and of great political significance to Arab-Iranian relations in general, government sources said.

protests Council

NATIONS (AP). — Le- as protested to the Security il that Israel committed 423 of aggression, mostly shellings, ing the past four weeks.

The protest said Lebanon was reserving the right to call a meeting of the Security Council "at an appropriate time should it deem that necessary."

The letter made no mention of the underlying issue — the presence of Palestinian terrorists in Lebanon.

Lebanon said the damage included 17 houses destroyed and one damaged, one motor vehicle destroyed, seven damaged and a tractor hit, and a part of the tobacco crop destroyed.

Goren back-tracks, won't ask probe over Chaplaincy role on war dead

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

DEFENCE MINISTER Shimon Peres told the Knesset yesterday how Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren had made a complete *volte-face* on his charges against the role of the Army Chaplaincy and the Army Hevra Kadisha, during the Yom Kippur War.

In a Government statement, which came in lieu of a debate on motions for the agenda, Peres revealed that Goren sent him a telegram on Sunday, demanding a "neutral commission of inquiry to probe all the facts, and set out the truth, and nothing but the truth, in its full clarity."

The Defence Minister, who spoke before a hushed Chamber, then revealed that the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi's next step yesterday morning was to announce over the phone that he was withdrawing his demand for a commission of inquiry.

"He said that his only intention had been to draw conclusions for the future. Since he had discovered that these conclusions had in fact been drawn earlier, and in view of the fact that he had every confidence in those who had drawn the conclusions, he no longer saw any need to insist on his previous demand for a probe."

The IDF Spokesman last night refused to comment on a report that Rabbi Goren has been given an emergency reserves appointment. Rabbi Goren is reported to have been angered by the fact that he was not given a reserves posting when he left the army or when he asked for one on the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War.

"The Defence Minister said that the General Staff of the Israel Defence Forces saw no need to inquire further into the question of evacuating the bodies of the fallen for burial.

The IDF had carried out probes through its own channels after the Yom Kippur War at all the levels of command. It had drawn organizational and operational conclusions about the identification and evacuation of the fallen for burial. As a result, the system of evacuation had been altered at all levels in the Manpower Branch and in the Army Chaplaincy, through the forces in the field, through the regional commands and at GHQ.

Peres noted that a serious Halachic problem did arise of evacuating the fallen during combat on Sabbaths and festivals. The Chaplaincy permitted evacuation on Sabbaths and festivals, in consultation with Halachic authorities. It paid meticulous attention to all the burial arrangements, as the Halacha prescribed, he said.

Grave problems of evacuating the fallen had arisen during the Yom Kippur War in unprecedented conditions, he said.

Peres expressed the warmest praise for the devotion to duty and perseverance under rigorous combat conditions of the Chaplaincy Corps and the Hevra Kadisha. He said that Goren also praised the devotion of the Hevra Kadisha.

Judy Siegel reports:

Speaking to reporters after remarks by Peres in the Knesset, Rabbi Goren reiterated that he had tried to raise the subject of retrieval of bodies several times since the end of the October war. "I sent letters to the former Defence Minister and Chief of Staff at the time, and to the Knesset Defence and Foreign Affairs Committee as well."

Rabbi Goren explained that his statements on the radio programme last week were spontaneous expression of his feelings on the issue, and that he felt it necessary to make his criticism public because the Army is so busy that "I thought the matter would otherwise not get the attention it deserved."

The Chief Rabbi also strongly rejected the attacks made on him as a result of his statements. He said, however, that he never intended to hurt the Army Chaplains themselves but merely the policy of the Chaplaincy and its execution.

Rabbi Goren accepted the statements made by Peres, and hoped that "the discussion will end and the matter will be considered closed."

Lawyers for three reservists who say they collected bodies on Shabbat and holidays during the war will bring a libel suit against Rabbi Goren to the Jerusalem District Court tomorrow, despite the Peres statement. The reservists, who planned to take the action yesterday but waited for a public apology from the Chief Rabbi, will demand IL10,001 in compensation.

Avishai Daum, the Netanya man who admitted that someone in Goren's office asked him to pose the question on the broadcast, has not appeared at his job since *The Jerusalem Post* connected him with the affair. He is expected to return when the controversy blows over.

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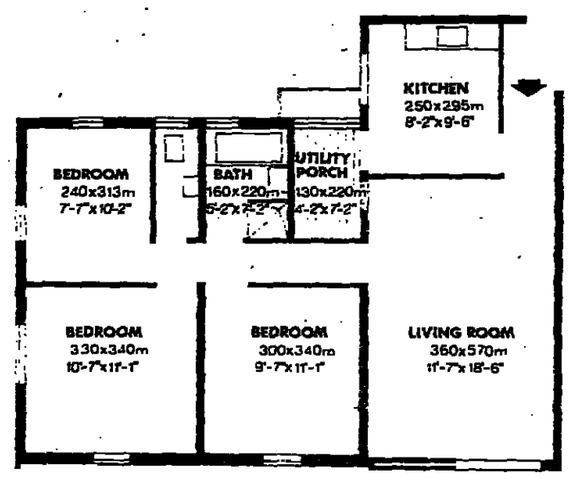
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy with local showers in north & central Israel.
Weather synopsis: Weak upper trough extends from Black Sea to Eastern Mediterranean.

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Jerusalem	64	7—11	6—11
Nahariya	60	8—17	7—17
Safad	85	5—10	5—10
Haifa	55	11—17	10—17
Tiberias	86	9—16	8—17
Nazareth	73	— 14	6—14
Afula	69	7—17	6—17
Shomron	75	5—12	7—12
Tel Aviv	84	10—16	9—17
B-G Airport	69	8—17	7—17
Jericho	54	7—20	8—20
Gaza	74	9—19	8—18
Beersheba	76	4—16	5—15
Eilat	33	10—20	10—20
Tiran	34	12—21	12—21

Social and Personal

President Katzir was yesterday the guest of the Lod Municipality, attending a special meeting of the Municipal Council and touring local high schools, where he answered pupils' questions.

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The Knesset Speaker, Yisrael Yeshayahu, yesterday gave a luncheon at the Knesset for Per Ahlmark, Swedish Member of Parliament and President of the Israel-Sweden Friendship League. Mr. Ahlmark was also received by Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi.

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Guatemalan Ambassador Ramiro Gereda Asturias called yesterday on Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

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Denmark's Ambassador, Sven Ebbesen, yesterday was guest of honour, at the opening of Danish Interiors new showrooms in Ramat Gan.

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The Director-General of the Manufacturers Association, Peleg Tamir, yesterday was host to Dr. Gerardus Veldkamp, former Minister of Health and Social Welfare of Holland.

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Professor Jacob Wolfowitz, of the University of Illinois, was yesterday awarded an honorary Doctorate of Science by the Technion, in token of his "outstanding contributions to the fields of probability theory, information theory, and mathematical statistics and for his long-standing relationship with the Institute."

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BIRTHS

GAONI — To Motti and Zmirah Gaoni, a daughter, Liat, granddaughter to Yaacob and Esther Gaoni, great-granddaughter to Mrs. Bella Shapira.

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ZORN — To Alisa (née Loewy) and Myron Zorn, a son, Gilead.

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IN MEMORIAM

A service in memory of Yosef Heftman, chairman of the Tel Aviv Journalists Association, will be held at the Nahlat Yitzhak cemetery, Tel Aviv, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Taxes won't be raised this year

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Taxes will not be raised in 1975. Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz yesterday categorically stated this in reply to a question from Mark Mosevics, president of the Manufacturers Association.

Mr. Mosevics, on reading newspaper reports that Efraim Dovrat, adviser to the Finance Minister, had recommended raising taxes this year, telephoned Mr. Rabinowitz.

Mr. Mosevics pointed out that the manufacturers, together with the Government, had launched an intensive drive a short time ago to increase productivity. One of the key points of this drive had been a simple promise — workers who produce more would have more take-home pay.

Now, the Finance Minister's adviser was saying "workers who produce more will pay more taxes."

"Do you expect production to rise under such conditions?" Mosevics asked the Finance Minister.

Mr. Rabinowitz replied that Dovrat's statements would not be the basis for any move by the Finance Ministry to increase taxes, and that Mosevics could go back to the workers and assure them that higher productivity would indeed mean more take-home pay.

IL 400 expenses for disabled car owners

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Disabled drivers who receive civilian pensions and a 100 per cent tax relief on the purchase of their vehicles will now get a monthly allowance of IL400 for expenses.

This was decided last night by a special sub-committee of the Knesset Labour Committee, headed by Shoshana Arbeli (Alignment). Treasury representatives promised Mrs. Arbeli that within six months an amendment to the National Insurance Law would be tabled in the Knesset, governing purchase and upkeep of disabled drivers' cars.

The Transport Ministry calculated the IL400 allowance on a car travelling 1,000 km. monthly. The sub-committee promised that if upkeep should become more expensive before the amendment becomes law, the invalids would get an increase.

Disabled drivers blockaded the Kirya Government Quarter in the capital last month for over two full days to dramatize their financial plight. They prevented work in the Treasury building.

The decision was last night condemned as "derisory" by the National Centre for Organizations of the Disabled in Israel, which represent 40,000 Israelis disabled in work accidents, road accidents, by Nazi persecution or in childhood.



Earth-moving equipment moves through the mist to clear snow yesterday from a road on Mount Hermon. (Ya'acov Moshe for Ippa)

Golani holds belated semi-jubilee

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Golani, the IDF's oldest brigade, gathered yesterday in Jerusalem for a belated celebration of its 25th anniversary, which occurred on the third day of the Yom Kippur War.

On hand to celebrate with the men of the brigade — which has the reputation of taking the rawest of recruits and turning them into crack infantrymen — were Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Defence Minister Shimon Peres, Information Minister Aharon Yariv and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur. Both the latter are past Commanders of Golani.

Also present were the next-of-kin of many of the Golani men who fell in the brigade's campaigns, which include the liberation of Tiberias and Eilat in the War of Independence, the conquest of Rafah in the Sinai Campaign, the storming and taking of the Syrian fortifications on Tel Faher and Tel Azkiat in the Six Day War, and the recapture of the Mount Hermon position in the Yom Kippur War.

In his speech, Premier Rabin cited Golani's role as a "crucible for nation-building." Mr. Peres said the brigade was the reply to Israel's future problems.

As part of the ceremonies, the current O.C. Golani, Aluf-Mishne presented the brigade's standard and colours to hes predecessors who included Rav-Aluf Gur, and Generals Yariv, Dan Laner, Avraham Yoffe, MK, Meir Amit, the late Assaf Simhoni, the late Haim Ben-David, Aharon Doron, Elad Peled, Yona Efrat, now O.C. Central Command, and Yekutiel Adam, now O.C. Southern Command.

Constituency election bill passes subcommittee

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

A measure to change the Knesset election system was completed in the sub-committee stage of the Law Committee yesterday, over the dissenting votes of the NRP and Herut members.

The plenum of the Law Committee now has to approve the sub-committee's version of the crucial paragraph in the Basic Law: Knesset which would enable constituency elections, according to the proposal, instead of the current proportional election system.

Herut will continue its delaying action against electoral reform by a new device, stemming from its plan to replace renegade party member Binyamin Halevi in all his Committee posts. The replacement will probably be announced today.

Since Halevi chaired the sub-committee of the Law Committee which handled the reform measure, Herut intends to persuade the Knesset that Halevi's handling of the measure is invalidated. Herut intends to get a new chairman in the sub-committee who will open the matter afresh.

Herut will also put a new man in place of Halevi in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

But no Herut MK was willing to answer *The Post's* queries as to the party's specific plans, and speculation was enhanced by this conspiratorial reaction.

The ILP man on the sub-committee was absent during yesterday's crucial vote.

ILP Knesset whip Yehuda Sha'ari and party secretary-general Yitzhak Barkai told political reporters in Tel Aviv yesterday that the Independent Liberals received both written and verbal commitments from the Labour Party during the coalition negotiations that the bigger party would not make any move to enact electoral reform without prior discussions with the smaller partner. They reiterated their ultimatum to the Prime Minister, given jointly with the NRP and Mapam, against electoral reform.

Mr. Sha'ari proposed dividing the country into 18 constituencies which would choose 90 MKs, with the remaining 30 MKs chosen by national lists as at present. Candidates of the smaller parties, who would be unable to compete against the bigger parties in the constituencies, would thus have a chance of being elected through the national lists by means of the surplus votes from the constituencies. This system operates in West Germany and Scandinavia, Sha'ari said.

In addition, the ILP has tabled a bill aimed at introducing greater internal democracy in the political parties, whereby Knesset candidates would have to be chosen by parties' broadest forums and not by appointments committees.

Vatican's rules mark no advance — Raphael

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Religious Affairs Minister Yitzhak Raphael yesterday disparaged the importance of the new Vatican guidelines for carrying out the Church's 1965 "Declaration on the Jews," saying that "the document leaves the Church with no real progress in its relations with the Jewish People."

The guidelines, published on Friday, should not be viewed as an historical turning point, he said. "One shouldn't look for ways of understanding between Christian and Jews in the four paragraphs of the document." It was written from the orthodox Catholic viewpoint, he continued, "with unbounded devotion to the Church's historical approach to Judaism."

Dr. Raphael further charged that many Catholic leaders "are loyal to the version that places on the Jews of Jesus' time responsibility for the crucifixion — a blame which caused rivers of pure and holy Jewish blood to be spilled by Christian believers throughout the ages."

The Church has not yet given up the hope that the Jews will some day adopt Christianity, said Dr. Raphael, even though it has retreated from aggressive missionary activities and uses persuasion and more subtle means instead. "The Jewish religion has historically acted honourably towards other faiths and abstained from missionary activity ... Jews have the right to ask the same of other religious groups."

Responding to the document's reference to "joint prayer" to bridge the gap between the two religions, the Minister said the Jews have never been opposed to meetings and consultations to strengthen the fight against oppression and for justice. "However, this is not a basis for theological dialogue. The liberal approach of fundamental Judaism ... does not include liturgy or joint instruction and education."

Dr. Raphael asserted that the wrongdoing against the Jews will be corrected "if the Christian world comes to the aid of our people in the building of a homeland and the assemblage of the dispersed. The lack of any mention of the existence of the Jewish State in the document ... proves that the Church is still far from recognizing the ... ties between the Jewish People and their right to the Land of Israel."

Dr. Raphael did welcome, however, the paragraph in which the "spiritual and historical ties of the Church denounce all forms of anti-Semitism and discrimination."

The response to the guidelines was formulated in the Religious Affairs Ministry itself, and not among the Cabinet, but no further comment is expected from the Government.

German Parliamentarian:

'Next year crucial for Europe and Israel'

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The West will no longer fall victim to the Arab oil blackmail, but the next 12 months will be crucial for both the European economy and for Israel, Erik Blumenfeld, a CDU (Christian Democrat) deputy from Hamburg in the Bundestag, said yesterday.

Mr. Blumenfeld yesterday ended a fortnight's private visit here with his wife. He met several Israel leaders during his stay here, including Defence Minister Shimon Peres and Foreign Minister Yigal Allon.

Europeans expect a "clear cut policy and mutual recognition of each other's existence" from the countries in the Middle East, he said.

"A clear concept and a bold initiative" should be Israel's first priority in its negotiations with the Arab states, he felt. He did not consider "bidding for time" a useful attitude.

He advised Israel to "take bold political initiative" to counter the effects of Arab propaganda. Arab efforts in this field have made some headway in Europe, he said.

A member of the European Parliament, Blumenfeld expected that the association treaty between Israel and the European Common Market will be signed in March, and that in midsummer the treaty will become effective. "That will give you great scope in the markets of nine countries — and eventually a political association of great importance," he said.

Mr. Blumenfeld believed that the "individuality" of the French in their pro-Arab policy will be overcome and a common political stand of Europe v. the Middle East be achieved. "You have friends in Europe," he added.

Mr. Blumenfeld had no doubt that Israel's interests lay with West Europe and America — "You can expect nothing good from the Soviet Union." In West Germany, he noted, "people are disenchanted with Willy Brandt's Ostpolitik — it did not promote Germany's interests, only made it clear that the Soviet Union was unchanging in her desire to overpower the West." Mr. Blumenfeld felt sure the realization of this fact would bring victory to the CDU in next year's general elections. Possibly, he speculated, the Free Democrats, who now hold the balance in favour of the Socialists, may realize they have misjudged popular feeling and might veer to a right-of-centre coalition even before election time.

If hostilities in the Middle East erupt, Germany will not withhold any help from her American allies in Nato in sending supplies to Israel, Mr. Blumenfeld asserted. "The opposition will certainly not attack the government for such a course," he said. But as long as events have not put Germany to the test, "do not expect a Prime Minister to announce beforehand what he would do." That would be asking for unnecessary political pressures, he added.

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Cacophony from Alignment MKs

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Alignment Knesset faction creaked noisily at the joints yesterday, although it was impossible to say whether the disharmony was serious.

The establishment of a so-called "Open Forum" by Labour doves and the Mapam wing of the Alignment provoked two middle-of-the-road MKs to protest in an open letter to Labour leaders, that this forum might bring on polarization and even a split in party ranks.

The two MKs, Michael Harish (Mapai wing) and Adi Amorai (Ahdut Avoda wing) wrote party secretary-general Meir Zarmi and faction chairman Moshe Wertman saying that they objected to "Open Forum" in its present makeup, and not because they were hawks.

Labour's Leadership Bureau and its MKs should meet to thrash out the whole problem with Premier Yitzhak Rabin and the Alignment Ministers in attendance, they wrote.

The disharmony was painfully evident at the Alignment executive with a slanging match between hawk Shoshana Arbeli and the Mapam representatives about Naftali Feder's meeting in Prague with a PLO leader while the Mapam secretary was there for a peace movement conference. Then Mapam's Chaika Grossman slashed back with a query as to how President Ephraim Katzir could agree to attend the Herut Conference in the Kiryat Arba quarter of Hebron, "when the holding of the conference there does not meet with a national consensus."

Chairman Wertman said the Alignment could not interfere in the President's decisions, and the Government, which decided to set up Kiryat Arba, had agreed to Herut holding the conference anyway.

THE KNESSET'S newest bloc — Members of Asian-African origin — held its third meeting yesterday. Guest speaker was Police Minister Shlomo Hillel.

Israel defeats U.S. Olympic squad, 3:0

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Soccer Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel last night defeated the U.S. Olympic soccer team 3:0, all the goals scored by Yeshayahu Feigenbaum.

The game, played before a crowd of 6,000 at the Bloomfield Stadium, was one-sided, and might have ended with Israel scoring half a dozen goals. The play of the Israel team was disappointing, its forward line lacking a sharp shooter. Only Feigenbaum snapped up his chances.

Following a glut of corners, Feigenbaum finally put Israel into the lead after 30 minutes with a 16-metre shot. He scored the second goal in the 75th minute with an angled shot from six metres, and then made it 3:0 in the 88th minute, direct from a free kick 22 metres out.

For the American amateurs, this was their first international, and the team lacked cohesion. However, they might have scored two goals, missing the simplest of chances with only goalkeeper Sorianov to beat in the 38th and the 50th minute. Goal-keeper St. Clair was best for the Americans.

The game was refereed by 50-year-old Shmuel Handwerk, who is now retiring with 750 games to his credit.

Israel yesterday won the youth international tournament on goal average from Rumania, after playing a 1 to 1 draw against the Rumanians. Germany and Norway drew 0:0. The final standings were:

	Goals	Pts.
1 Israel	4:2	4
2 Rumania	2:1	4
3 Germany	1:1	3
4 Norway	0:3	1

Traffic changes to help buses, taxis in cities

Proposed changes in traffic arrangements in the three main cities that will give priority to public transport were yesterday reported to Minister of Transport, Gad Ya'acobi, by the regional traffic commissioners.

In Jerusalem it has been decided to make Jaffa Road one-way to all vehicles with the exception of buses and taxis, which would be able to travel in both directions. It was also decided to increase parking fines and to tow away illegally parked cars.

Begining February 15, restrictions will be imposed on car travel and parking in Jaffa's Jerusalem Boulevard in order to facilitate public transport. The Tel Aviv traffic commission is also examininig the possibility of allocating special lanes to buses and taxis on Petah Tikva Road.

The Haifa traffic commission is looking into the feasibility of alternative routes for private cars in order to permit only public transport from the eastern approach to the city in the direction of the port. *(Itim)*

'Stolen cylinders could become bombs'

TEL AVIV. — The gas cylinders stolen in large numbers from homes in the Holon area may have been taken for use in terror acts, police told the Magistrate's Court here yesterday.

They were speaking at a remand hearing for two residents of the administered areas — Diab Slakawi, 25, and Munir Ashur, 28 — suspected of stealing cylinders in Holon and smuggling them across the Green Line. Judge Yehoshua Ben-Shlomo ordered the two held for 10 days.

2 boys held for Haifa 'bomb' prank

HAIFA. — Police are holding two local 15-year-olds for leaving the "suspicious object" whose discovery on Sunday night interrupted the second showing at the Ron Cinema.

An usher found the package, from which wires protruded, near the rest rooms at 10 p.m., and had the hall cleared. After a police sapper determined the "bomb" was a dummy, the audience returned and saw the rest of the film — "The Marseille Contract." The two boys were taken into custody after a short search of the premises.



Alexander Voronel (left) and Viktor Polsky, leading activists recently arrived from the Soviet Union, met with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Jerusalem yesterday. (Israel)

Eban on dangers of misconceptions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Prof. Abba Eban, former Foreign Minister, said yesterday that foreign powers who encourage misconceptions about Israel endanger peace in the Middle East. Eban delivered the opening address at the "international conference on psychological stress and adjustment in a time of war and peace."

Prof. Eban said the Arabs have cultivated two irreconcilable myths: one is that Israel is so small and contemptible that it should not be taken into account; the other is that Israel is inordinately strong and intent on unlimited expansion.

The October War served as a corrective to many misconceptions, both on the Israel and Arab sides, and therefore it offered a psychological background for mutual understanding, he said. The new factor in the Mideast, according to Prof Eban, is that the Arabs have become open to external influences, but these influences might not lead to moderation and realism if the Arab leaders can tell their people that foreigners uphold their dreams.

Fourteen countries are represented at the conference, which is sponsored by Tel Aviv University.

THE ISRAEL Sabras basketball team, playing their first game here, lost 138-118 last night to the Jacksonville Buccaneers, the U.S. amateur champions, before 4,000 fans at Tel Aviv's Yad Eliahu sports stadium.

Gaza girl killed by collapsing wall

GAZA. — Four-year-old Ouda Hasan Abu Mathib was killed on Sunday in the refugee camp at Dir El Balah when a wall collapsed at her home.

Would-be settlers picnic at Sebastia

SEBASTIA. — The Gush Emunim group that tried to settle here in the heart of Samaria last summer returned for a few hours yesterday — to celebrate a post-wedding banquet *(sheva brachot)* for two of their members. But they added that they have informed the Government they mean eventually to come back to stay.

Yosef Artzieli, spokesman for the nearly 200-strong "Alon Moreh" settlement nucleus, said they had sent letters about their desire to stay to Prime Minister Rabin, Defence Minister Peres and Minister-without-Portfolio Yisrael Galili. Mr. Rabin had not answered; Mr. Peres acknowledged receipt, and Mr. Galili had asked the group to coordinate their actions with the Government.

Unlike last summer, when they had to slip past roadblocks and were ultimately surrounded by soldiers, the group yesterday entered Samaria unopposed — and without asking permission. The deputy military governor of Nablus came out to ask if they needed anything, and left when they said they did not. He left a few soldiers for their protection.

The Sebastia banquet was in honour of Alon Moreh members Yehuda and Haya Etzion who married at the site of the ancient synagogue of Na'aran, outside Jericho. Among the visitors was former Prisoner-of-Zion Sylva Zalmanson. She said she wished she could spend her whole life with the group. *(Itim)*

Fifth moshav started in Pit'hat Rafiah area

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Ground-breaking for a fifth moshav in the Pit'hat Rafiah area, east of Moshav Sadot, took place this week. The moshav, temporarily named Ugda, will be ready for its first settlers by next summer. It will begin with 50 housing units.

8,000 left last year, Sapir says

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The number of Israelis who left the country in 1974 was 8,000, "much higher" than the average yearly figure during the first 25 years of the State, Jewish Agency Executive Chairman Pinhas Sapir said yesterday.

Speaking to 250 businessmen at an Economic Club luncheon in the newly-opened Jerusalem Hilton, Mr. Sapir said the higher number of persons emigrating and the lower number of immigrants last year were worrisome. He added, however, that strides being made in social absorption of newcomers would offset the housing, job and security difficulties.

(Mr. Sapir did not partake of the luncheon because, according to host Mayor Teddy Kollek, he felt it improper to eat at a five-star hotel during a period of economic difficulties.)

Questioned about the quality of Jewish Agency representatives abroad, Sapir admitted that "although some are excellent and some mediocre, there are a few abysmal ones. He promised that those unsuited to their jobs would gradually be weeded out and replaced with more qualified personnel.

Civil Defence Exercise—Acre

On Wednesday, January 8, 1975, there will be a civil defence exercise in Acre.
During the exercise, incidents will be staged involving apparent fires and wounded persons, explosions will be heard, and various rescue operations will be mounted.
Residents are asked to cooperate, and to carry out the instructions of wardens and the police.

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Baram: Austerity might create unemployment

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

There still is no "significant" trend in the country's employment situation, Labour Minister Moshe Baram told the Knesset yesterday, on behalf of the Government. But, he admitted, the Government's austerity programme could change all that, and pose the problem of joblessness.

Mr. Baram said one of the best current indicators of the nation's job market strength was the number of persons receiving unemployment insurance. These, he said, numbered only 460 or thereabouts in November.

Meanwhile, the average number of unplaced workers registered with the labour exchanges hovers around 900, he said. At the same time, unfilled requests for workers at the exchanges are running at an average of 7,500 for adult workers and 1,000 for youths.

If there were reports of idleness, Baram said, they referred to the transitional period — the time span between a worker's departure from his original place of work, and his successful adaptation in his new job.

Mr. Baram declared: "We have prepared, and are continuing to prepare, plans for reactivating work projects to give people jobs, if that should become necessary. The Government will give special attention to ensure full employment in development towns."

According to Baram, there is also full employment among residents of the administered areas, as 70,000 labourers enter Israel from there daily. Of these, he observed, only 40,000 are registered with the labour exchanges.

If these workers face the prospect of mass lay-offs, the Labour Ministry, the Defence Ministry and the Military Governments will meet the problem head-on with a series of large-scale works projects.

The Likud's Yoram Eridor chided the Minister for his "over-confidance" on jobs, and blamed the Government's economic policies for causing the pockets of unemployment to appear.

"Unemployment is a virus that is very, very hard to isolate," he warned. "Once it develops it is difficult to arrest. Idleness is social poison, and unlike the Minister of Labour I am concerned at the recurring reports of lay-offs, and I am also concerned at the fact that he does not seem to be concerned."

TA cinemas told permits depend on improvement

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Municipal executive has warned cinema proprietors that their permits for 1975 will not be renewed unless improvements are made in the buildings.

This follows a municipal survey of 30 cinemas throughout town, which showed that five are in an "extremely bad state of deterioration, both from the sanitary and the aesthetic point of view." Six other cinemas are not much better, and the city experts who investigated conditions there found that they need so much renovation that "an almost total overhaul" was recommended. Conditions were also not very good in another five cinemas.

The situation in the other 14 cinemas is not perfect either, city experts say, although small improvements only are called for. These 14 theatres do not face any problems of license renewal.

The city executive said yesterday that unless a specific undertaking to improve the situation is obtained from the owners of the 16 cinemas in the worst condition, the operating licenses will not be renewed and the cinemas will have to close down. The city added that this time it will not be satisfied with a promise to carry out improvements, but will demand that a detailed time-table for the work be handed in, before the permit is renewed.

The city's demands come in the wake of promises made by the cinema proprietors last April. At the time, the proprietors demanded that the city lower the municipal entertainment levy. The city did so, on condition that improvements were made in the cinemas. So far, the owners have saved an estimated IL4m. in entertainment tax, but the improvements have yet to be made.

Mayor Shlomo Lahat has called the conditions in some cinemas "shameful and appalling" and has promised a crack-down on the negligent owners.



No snow fell in Kikar Hamoshavot yesterday, although it may look like it. This Tel Aviv resident enjoys a ride through a mass of foam used by Tel Aviv firemen to put out a fire in a chemical and paint shop in the early hours of yesterday morning. (Israel Sun)

Transport Min. against free bus rides for soldiers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Transport Ministry director-general Dan Hiram told a Knesset committee yesterday that he was opposed to free public transport for members of the armed forces. Such a benefit, he said, would only encourage soldiers to travel by bus needlessly, and make life harder for the Egged bus cooperative.

Mr. Hiram was speaking at hearings of a special joint committee studying the possibility of providing free public transport for military personnel on active or reserve duty. The Knesset unit is made up of members of the Economic and Foreign Affairs and Defence Committees. The joint committee is studying a free-transport agenda motion proposed by the Likud's Pessah Grupper.

Committee chairman Yigal Horowitz requested the Egged representative who attended the meeting, to send him an estimate of how much the bus company would want as payment from the Government for giving soldiers lifts. Earlier, a Defence Ministry spokesman said preliminary discussions between the military and Egged were already under way on some sort of arrangement for the free rides.

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Tekoah to head B-G University



Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Yosef Tekoah, Ambassador to the UN, has accepted the presidency of Ben-Gurion University, succeeding professor Moshe Prywes, who is resigning in March. Mr. Tekoah was the only candidate of the five-man selection committee headed by the Chairman of the University's Board of Governors.

The Ambassador is to visit the University here tomorrow.

Tekoah, 49, has held his present position since 1968, after having held various diplomatic and Foreign Ministry posts, including Ambassador to the Soviet Union.

Washing machine and multi-stroller for Medina quins

When she gets home from Hadassah hospital, Mrs. Tova Medina, mother of quintuplets from Sderot, will be given a new "Singer" washing machine, as a present from the Singer-Israel company.

The company owner, Mr. W.E. Robinson and the general manager of Singer-Israel, Mr. M. Vidra, have decided to give the machine to the quintuplets' parents to wash the five babies' diapers.

Mr. Robinson, who is also chairman of the Board of Israeli Breweries, has already donated IL1,500 to the Medina family.

A specially designed five-section stroller for the Medina quintuplets was presented to the family yesterday by Avraham Oved, director of the Octagon company, makers of various types of baby carriages.

Ex-colonel gets Haifa U. post

HAIFA. — Menahem Zehavi, a reserves colonel, has been appointed vice-president for Administration and Finance at the Technion.

During the last three years of Aluf-Mishne Zehavi's army service, he headed the control and organization department at General Staff headquarters. On leaving the army in 1972, he became head of the textile and leather division in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Can take cheeseparing too far, Meshel warns

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — One can take economic cheeseparing too far, even to the point of absurdity, Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel warns in an interview with the army industries periodical, "Ba'taas," published today.

"A public servant may be led to forgo his duties in order to save petrol for his car. This is pure hysterics," Meshel told "Ba'taas."

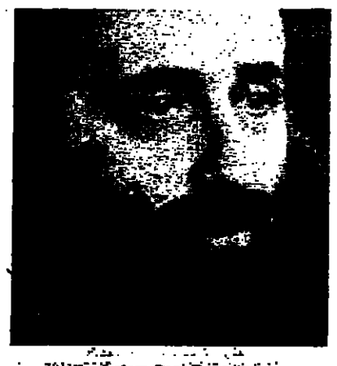
A committee should be set up to establish guidelines for the use of cars by employees in public services. "What would be gained by stopping a health inspector from making his rounds?" Meshel asked.

The Secretary-General also said he would fight the tendency to make cuts in the health and travel allowances of salaried persons. "This is fleecing the poor," he said.

All personnel in large enterprises should be organized in one union, Meshel said.

This is an issue of particular interest to the employees in military industries, where the industrial workers have their own professional union, while the management and clerks are members of the civil service union.

U.S. Navy grant for Branover fuel device



Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Ben-Gurion University Professor Yeremiyahu Branover has received a large research grant from the U.S. Navy to continue his work in hydrodynamics.

Prof. Branover, a recent immigrant from the USSR, is developing a new magneto-hydrodynamic system to boost the amount of electric power obtainable from raw fuel. Two experimental generators have already been built here.

The three-year grant was made after Prof. Branover visited the U.S. Navy Research and Development Institute in Pennsylvania. He has 15 years of experience in the field.

If the proposed system becomes viable, it will increase power station output by 15 per cent. The system, based on a fuel conservation method, could also be employed in missiles, space vehicles and nuclear generators.

Exploding paint cans, poison gas, at Tel Aviv fire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Exploding aerosol paint cans and fumes from poisonous gas made the firemen's task doubly difficult when they were called to deal with a fire in a paint and chemical store yesterday morning.

Fire swept through the store owned by Ya'acov Ya'acobi and sons at Kikar Hamoshavot, on the corner of Hahashmal and Allenby Streets, at 3.30. Seven fire engines raced to the scene.

Apart from the poisonous gas emitted by the paints and chemicals, "the greatest difficulty was the explosion of paints and chemicals in aerosol cans. We had to use expansion foam and a smoke sucker machine," Ya'acov Ritov, Tel Aviv fire brigade chief, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

By about 6.30 firemen had the fire under control. But they spent most of the day at the scene, to make sure that the fire did not break out again.

One fireman who was slightly injured while putting out the fire, was given treatment and then returned to work.

The fire department said the damage was "extensive." Police fire investigators are investigating if arson was involved.

A pharmacy next to the paint shop was also damaged. Residents living in the four-storey building were evacuated by police.

El Al and mechanics to discuss differences

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — El Al management and the maintenance workers' committee agreed in principle yesterday to discuss 15 points at issue between them. One of the 15 will be the employees' request that a committee be formed to look into El Al's overall labour relations, and to probe the causes of last week's labour crisis.

It was also agreed that a deadline should be fixed for the termination of negotiations on the 1974 wage contract. Educational opportunities for maintenance men who want to become air technicians will also be discussed.

The meeting was called by Yehoshua Woschina, who heads the El Al workers desk in the Histadrut executive. The two sides will meet again today, with a representative of the Transport Ministry present, the Histadrut spokesman said.

The maintenance workers were back on full schedule yesterday, but their representatives yesterday said they would request neutral professional observers to check on their pace of work.

The workers, who denied El Al management accusations that they had waged a go-slow strike which led to the shutdown, said such observers would prevent a repetition of these charges. They suggested the observers come from the Israel Aircraft Industries.

El Al returns to its full, normal schedule as of this morning. Nine flights took off from Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday.

Experts to study Safdie plan for Western Wall

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A panel of experts to study the proposal for the Western Wall foreground drawn up by architect Moshe Safdie was appointed yesterday by Justice Minister Ha'm Zadok.

The panel is to make its recommendations to the Ministerial Committee on Jerusalem — headed by Mr. Zadok — after it has examined the proposal and heard comments from the public. The public will have two months to study a model of the Safdie plan which will probably go on display later this month. The plan, which has already created considerable controversy, calls for a series of terraces rising from the Wall to the Jewish Quarter.

Heading the seven-man panel is attorney Erwin Shimron, chairman of the Company for the Reconstruction of the Jewish Quarter. Other members are architects Ya'acov Rechter, Arye Sharon, Avraham Yasky (whose names were put forward by the Association of Architects and Engineers), architect David Cassuto (Ministry for Religious Affairs), Deputy Mayor Meron Benvenisti and Meir Ben-Dov of the archaeological team working on the Western Wall area.

Agreement on IL200m. project at Ashdod Port

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — A preliminary agreement has been reached between the Ports Authority and the American firm, Soros, on construction plans of the southern area of the port here. Cost is estimated at IL200m.

The Port magazine, "Namal Ashdod," says that the plans include grain silos and phosphate installations. The latter will be built because the Phosphate Company estimates it will export about four million tons of phosphates in two or three years. At present the loading causes big clouds of phosphate dust, which has become a nuisance to this city. The new installations reportedly will solve the problem.

The planned grain silos will store about one million tons during the next three years. By 1985, the storage capacity will be extended to 2.5 million tons.



Scenes for Menahem Golan's thriller, "Diamond," were shot yesterday in front of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. Golan confers with Bilhah Yavneh (in nun's habit), who is a stand-in for star Barbara Segal (formerly known on the screen as Barbara Hershey). Other stars in the production will be Robert Shaw and David Hemmings. (Barzilay)

Court rejects works c'ttee demand for independence

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The District Labour Court yesterday rejected the demand by 90 port workers to bar the Histadrut executive and the Labour Council from signing a new agreement on their behalf with the Ports Authority.

The 90 mooring department men, who work at the port's quays and at the breakwater, recently elected a new works committee to replace one which was recognized by the Labour Council. The new committee wants to sever ties with the Labour Council and to join the Seamen's Union, on the basis that their work is closer to seamens' jobs than to other port work.

Judge Eliezer Canfi, in rejecting their application, said: "It is intolerable that every group of workers, whether impelled by legitimate or spurious demands, take the law into their own hands, hold meetings, appoint works committees or take any other action with regard to their employers, without first obtaining the approval of their representative union. Such relations are, as is well known, governed by the representative union."

The attorney for the Histadrut executive and Labour Council said the council had not recognized the new works committee. The three-man court upheld the right of the displaced committee — elected last April — to represent the 90 men. The court also ruled that only the Histadrut and the Labour Council were authorized to sign a collective labour agreement and that a works committee could not be party to such an agreement.

The new committee went to court after a Labour Council committee rejected the men's demand to join the Seamen's Union. "The findings of that committee is a substantive answer to the complaints of the men," the court held.

'Cut' announced in Kupat Holim's development fund

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Kupat Holim will cut its development budget for the 1975-76 fiscal year, according to Asher Yadlin, director-general of the sick fund.

He told the organization's regional and institutional directors that the budget would be IL180m., the same as during the 1974-75 fiscal year. However, he said, this is really a reduction because of today's higher costs.

Mr. Yadlin said the regular budget for the new fiscal year will be about IL1,750m., compared with IL1,300m. in the present fiscal year. He pointed out that the extra "millions of pounds" will not accomplish any more because of the higher costs. A deficit of IL176m. was forecast for the 1975-76 budget.

Grapefruit to Japan next week

NES ZIONA. — The first shipment of grapefruit to Japan this season will be sent next week through Eilat, Joseph Tulipman, director of the Citrus Marketing Board, told a meeting of citrus farmers here last night. He said the Japanese market was a potentially good one, and exports this year should reach 750,000 crates. In a couple of years, they might even top the three million mark.

Eastern European countries are also now buying Israeli citrus, and are paying higher prices than last year.

The main problem lies with the traditional Western European market, and it was still too early in the season to tell how European economic prices would affect citrus sales, he said. To date 11m. crates have been sent abroad and of these 7m. have already been sold. Up to now the average prices have not been higher than last year's.

NEWS BRIEFS

A CIVIL DEFENCE drill will take place tomorrow in the Acre region and will include explosions and flashes. The drill is due to last from 9.30 in the morning until 6.30 in the evening.

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A GROUP OF 60 professionals and businessmen from San Francisco, among them 26 doctors, on a seven-day visit under the auspices of the Jewish Welfare Federation, toured Galilee yesterday, including Ma'alot and Safad.

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HOTEL RAM in Jerusalem will not begin operating by March as announced, but is expected to start its running in period in June. Hotel Ram, a 3 star deluxe hotel, will have 156 double rooms, a convention hall, a restaurant, an American piano bar/discotheque, as well as a roof garden.

NINE BORDER policemen, including Druse, Beduin and Jews, yesterday received certificates of recognition from Border Police Commander, Nitzav Haim Levi, at the Border Police station at Nebi Yusha. The nine were members of the unit that engaged and wiped out a group of three terrorists near Kibbutz Manara three weeks ago. One of the policemen, a Druse with the rank of Rav-Pakad, had earlier been cited for bravery in action by the Inspector-General of Police.

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A LIBRARY of 600 valuable books in Yiddish has been contributed to the National and University Library in Jerusalem by Emma Schaver, an American concert singer, formerly of Detroit and now living in Jerusalem.

Awareness through Movement

DR. M. FELDENKRAIS will teach in English tentatively on Monday at 4 p.m., and Thursday at 6 p.m.

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Soviet court confirms death penalty for Leviev

VIENNA (JTA). — A Soviet court has rejected an appeal of Jewish defendant Mikhail Leviev, who had been sentenced to death last month, Jewish sources said.

The sources said yesterday a court of appeals decided to confirm the death sentence of Leviev, 57, who had been sentenced to capital punishment on December 13 for having taken bribes.

Leviev's wife, in a special appeal, asked Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny to change the verdict, the sources said. However, she did not receive a reply.

Last week, a group of Austrian Jewish organizations sent telegrams to Podgorny, UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and Amnesty International, asking for clemency.

"In the name of humanity and human rights, we protest the death sentence," the telegrams said.

In another case, the defence lawyer of Jewish Dr. Mikhail Shtern yesterday appealed to the Ukrainian Supreme Court against his client's conviction last month on charges of swindling and accepting bribes.

Dr. Shtern was sentenced to eight years at hard labour by a court in the Ukrainian city of Vinnitsa. Jewish activists have alleged he was punished because his two sons had applied to emigrate to Israel and he had made it clear he wanted to follow them.

The lawyer, David Akselbant, based his appeal on the grounds that the guilty verdict by the judge and two lay assessors was a judicial error, Dr. Shtern's son, Viktor, told Western correspondents by telephone.

Two Argentine generals killed in plane crash

Tucuman, Argentina (AP). — An Argentine military plane crashed and burst into flames in a wooded area about 56 kms. from Tucuman yesterday, killing two army generals and 11 other military men.

The small, twin-engine Otter aircraft crashed in a heavy rainstorm, authorities said.

Rescuers identified the charred corpses of Gen. Eugenio Salgado, commander of the 3rd Army Corps based in Cordoba, and Gen. Ricardo Munoz, commander of the 5th Brigade.

The other military officers killed in the creash included a colonel, three lieutenant-colonels and four majors, among them the assistant chief of police of Tucuman. They were on an inspection tour of military facilities in northern Argentina.

An army captain piloted the plane with a lieutenant and a sergeant composing the rest of the crew.



A New Orleans policeman takes cover behind a parked car with his revolver drawn during a shoot-out on Saturday. Police fatally wounded one suspect and arrested another following the robbery of a restaurant on Canal Street. (AP radiophoto)

IRA prepares to talk as ceasefire holds

BELFAST (UPI). — Britain's top official in Northern Ireland yesterday invited local leaders to talks aimed at paving the way for his peace negotiations with the Irish Republican Army on ending five years of sectarian war.

Secretary of State Merlyn Rees asked both Protestant and Roman Catholic factions alike to meet him this week following a statement by the IRA's political wing, the Sinn Fein party, that it is ready to begin preliminary discussions.

The Sinn Fein declared its willingness to talk as four Protestant clergymen bowed out of their go-between role and left it to the British and IRA to discuss among themselves how to extend the current cease-fire past January 16 and make it permanent.

Specifically, Rees's invitations went out to the leaders of the parties represented in the old Northern Ireland Assembly, the legislative body brought down during a general strike last year.

Among them are both militant Protestants, who believe that British-IRA talks can only undermine the Protestant majority in Northern Ireland, and moderate Catholics, who think peaceful means and not IRA violence are the way to unite Northern Ireland with Eire.

Rees's task is to satisfy all concerned that their interests will be protected in his talks with the IRA, whose leaders have threatened to resume their bombing campaign in Britain unless progress is made toward peace.

Among the IRA's demands are the withdrawal of 16,000 British troops from Northern Ireland along with unification with the Irish Republic. Rees has said he is willing to prepare a pullout timetable if the cease-fire lasts.

The stand-down has been the longest in the prolonged violence that has killed 1,143 persons, not counting the 27 dead in a series of pre-Christmas bombings that rocked London and other British cities.

Famed Hamilton marbles may be on Colossus wreck

LONDON (AP). — A British diving team announced yesterday it has located the wreck of a British man-of-war carrying priceless Roman statuary whose recovery could be of great significance to the art world. The ship, HMS Colossus, ran into a storm and sank in the Isles of Scilly off England's southwest tip in 1798.

"This is potentially the most exciting find of my life," said Roland Morris, a salvage specialist who has brought up artifacts and Spanish loot from other ships wrecked off Britain's coastline.

Morris said his team found the wreck last August after 171 hours of diving time but kept it secret until now to prevent "pirate divers" from interfering with the project. He did not reveal the precise location of the Colossus, but it went down off the Island of Sampson in the Isles of Scilly.

"I must make it clear that we do not know exactly what is down there," Morris said. "But contemporary records offer a strong prima facie case for supposing the Hamilton Marbles will set the art world by the ears."

The marbles were collected by Sir William Hamilton, British envoy to Naples and noted art specialist of his time. He was also the husband of Lady Emma Hamilton, mistress of Lord Nelson.

He shipped the marbles to England on the 1,610-ton Colossus, which, on December 7, 1978, anchored near Sampson Island to ride out the storm.

Three nights later the Colossus was driven onto the rocks and her complement of 640, including wounded soldiers, clung to the rigging until boats rescued them.

When the gale abated, salvage began but only part of the cargo had been removed when the vessel sank several days later.

The Hamilton collection — busts, vases and friezes — was stowed at the bottom of the ship, because it was so heavy it could serve as ballast.

One crate brought ashore by the hopeful islanders contained the embalmed body of Admiral Lord Shuldham, who had died in Lisbon. Shipment of the body was kept a secret from the Colossus crew to allay superstitious fears about carrying the dead.

Hugh Leggatt of Leggatt Bros., leading London art dealers, said news of the Morris find was "extremely exciting" and could conceivably be worth \$2.3m.

But he wondered what effect 176 years of buffeting by the turbulent tidal waters of the Isles of Scilly would have on the marbles.

Callaghan in Tanzania

DAR ES SALAAM (Reuter). — British Foreign Secretary James Callaghan yesterday met Tanzania's leader, Julius Nyerere, so winding up his consultations with African leaders directly involved in the latest search for a Rhodesia settlement.

Portugal moves to tighten ties with China

LISBON (AP). — Portugal moved closer to establishing diplomatic relations with China yesterday by recognizing Peking as "the only legitimate representative of the Chinese people."

In a note published by the Portuguese Foreign Ministry, Lisbon also declared that it "considers Taiwan to be an integral part of the Republic of China."

The Foreign Ministry added that negotiations about the future of Portuguese *Macao* could begin at a time considered "opportune" by the two governments.

Following the April 25 revolution, when the old dictatorship was overturned, Portugal quickly established diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union and the Communist countries of Eastern Europe.

Lack of an acceptable formula on Taiwan had blocked the opening of diplomatic channels between Lisbon and Peking. Diplomatic sources in Lisbon felt that part of Foreign Minister Mario Soares' aim in visiting Bucharest last week was to quietly seek an accommodation with China through the good offices of the Rumanians, the only Eastern bloc country that maintains good relations with Peking.

Soviets criticize New York police over JDL protest

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — The Soviet mission to the UN accused New York police yesterday of failing to restrain a five-hour demonstration against the mission by members of the militant Jewish Defence League on Christmas Eve.

"The police failed to take preventive measures in good time to restrain the extremist hooligans," the mission said in a note published as a General Assembly document.

"A police detachment arrived at the scene of the disgusting spectacle, but not until an hour and a half after it had begun," it added.

The note quoted a demonstrator as saying the organisers received official permission from local authorities to stage the protest.

It added: "The American authorities should take all necessary measures to see to it that such hostile actions against the USSR mission and its staff are not permitted in future."

Dollar falters in Europe

FRANKFURT (Reuter). — The central banks of West Germany and Switzerland stepped in today to support the hard-pressed United States dollar, but after a short-lived recovery it dropped to its lowest level here for more than seven months.

In Zurich, the Swiss Central Bank took the market by surprise with its first intervention on the spot market for two years.

The extent of its purchase was not known, but leading dealers in Switzerland estimated it at between \$30-50m. The bank would only say it made small purchases "to maintain orderly market conditions."

Sterling, already weakened by what currency-holders regard as a bleak outlook for the British economy in coming months, dropped in line with the dollar to close here at its lowest level ever in terms of marks, dealers said. The pound's closing rate of 5.590 marks to the pound brings it close to half its value here ten years ago of about 11 marks.

The West German Central Bank bought 13,350,000 dollars in support of the U.S. currency at the official fixing, helping to push the rate up from the opening 2.3870 to a fix of 2.3930. But by the close of business it had fallen back to 2.3750, weaker even than during a mid-morning decline.

Although today's purchase was the biggest since one of 17,750,000 dollars a week ago, it was clearly not enough to prop up the sagging rate for long.

The weaker dollar reflects the markets' assessment of the prospects for the U.S. economy. With unemployment rising to 7.1 per cent in December and pessimistic statements from government officials that it might rise higher, some European currencies now appear a better bet.

Pair uninjured in accident at balloon launch

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP). — Efforts to launch a 40-storey balloon failed during a mishap early yesterday, but the two passengers escaped injury after the launch director leaped aboard the gondola and cut it loose.

"Oh, no," one spectator shouted as the gondola hung beneath the balloons was dragged along the ground instead of being pulled into the sky. Inside were magazine publisher Malcolm Forbes and aerospace scientist Dr. Thomas Heinsheimer.

Ground crews began raising the balloon, actually 13 balloons, one on top and the others in clusters of three. Two hours later, with two clusters still to be released, ground winds intensified and the operation was put on hold.

When the gondola had been dragged only a few feet, launch director Jean-Pierre Pommereau jumped on top and pulled an emergency release lever. The lever automatically cut all the balloons loose and the gondola tipped over.

War criminal dies

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — Wartime Belgian collaborator Richard de Bodt, known as the "butcher of Breendonck," died in prison here last Friday at the age of 66, prison officials announced yesterday.

De Bodt was sentenced to death in absentia after World War Two for his part in the execution of 200 of the 4,000 internees at Belgium's Fort Breendonck concentration camp, where he was a warder.



Greek Orthodox Patriarch Benedictus I headed yesterday's procession to Manger Square in Bethlehem for the celebration of another Christmas Eve, this one observed by the Greek Orthodox, Coptic and Syrian churches. The car convoy halted at the Convent of Mar Elias, halfway between Jerusalem and Bethlehem, and then, preceded by police on white horses, moved on to the square. The Patriarch was flanked by Bethlehem Military Governor Sgan-Aluf Shabtai Brill and Mayor Elias Freij. The Armenians celebrate their Christmas Eve on January 18. (Barzilay)

Bank of Israel imposes new monetary curbs

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The Bank of Israel is imposing a liquidity ratio on credit for the first time. The rate will rise in stages from 1 per cent in February to 5 per cent in May. This decision was taken by the Bank's Advisory Committee yesterday. The liquidity ratio is the proportion of banks' funds which are on compulsory "loan" to the Central Bank.

The present credit squeeze ends on February 13, after which banks will be free to increase the volume of their loans at their discretion. But they will now also have to "lend" a fixed proportion to the central bank, in order to reduce the amount of money in circulation.

After the recent devalution, export credit was increased. The new measure will offset this monetary expansion, by reducing the "free" (i.e., not Government controlled) credit available. The liquidity ratio applies neither to export credit nor directed credit (working capital for essential enterprises). It concerns only the remaining forms of credit, which currently total IL5,500m.

The liquidity ratio on that will be 1 per cent on February 14, 3 per cent on April 10, and the full 5 per cent on May 15.

Estimates for the next fiscal year, starting in April, will comprise a budget deficit of IL1,500m. — and this makes it especially necessary to restrain general monetary expansion as far as possible, in order to avoid inflation, according to Rama Zuta, spokesman of the Bank of Israel.

The 5 per cent compulsory deposit will net IL275m., she says.

Mapam leader's talks with terrorist set up by Swiss

ZURICH (AP). — Peter Ruegg, secretary of the Swiss Peace Council, said yesterday he arranged the meeting between Israeli politician Naftali Feder and a member of the Palestine Liberation Organization during a conference of the World Peace Council in Prague last month.

Ruegg said Feder, secretary-general of the Mapam Party, and Kamal Khaldi, member of the PLO Central Committee, and an Israeli interpreter met in his presence for 90 minutes on December 8.

In an interview with the French news magazine "Le Nouvel Observateur," Feder later said he was surprized by the Palestinian's moderation.

Ruegg said during the talks Feder sought clarification on several points of the UN speech by PLO leader Yasser Arafat, particularly concerning the second phase of Arafat's two-stage plan starting with the creation of an independent state of Palestine. He declined to elaborate.

Ruegg said he arranged for Feder to be invited to the Prague meeting as a member of the Israel Peace Committee. Ruegg said the interpreter, Leon Zahavi, also came to Prague as a member of that committee.

Ruegg said one day after the meeting Feder walked out of the Peace Council conference under protests when it approved a sharply anti-Israel resolution and stayed away from a Czechoslovak government reception for the conference delegates. Ruegg said he took the initiative in arranging the meeting in line with his organization's standing policy of trying to establish direct contacts between the two principal Middle East opponents.

Importance of new Soviet IDs more ideological than practical

By DEV MURARKA

MOSCOW (Ofns). — THE NEW SOVIET regulations for issuing internal passports to all citizens above the age of 16 have more of an ideological-political significance than a practical one. In reality, they will make little difference to everyday life.

It is true that agricultural workers on collective farms will now be entitled to a passport and will no longer need the permission of the chairman of their farm before they can move. But, in practice, these workers have always found ways to circumvent the regulations.

The abolition of point five from the passport — which described the class or profession of the holder, usually in three categories, worker, farmer and white-collar worker — may increase social mobility of a different sort. For instance, with the new passports it will be more difficult to fix quotas for workers and farmers in educational establishments to keep down the proportion of the middle classes.

This is an ideological question *par excellence*. The Soviet Communist Party and the Soviet state are usually described as either a workers' party or a workers' state. But the fact is that the proportion of pure workers has been decreasing steadily over the years, reflecting tremendous social changes which have taken place. Even the Communist Party in this sense has ceased to be a predominantly workers' party.

After Stalin's death there was a move to call the Soviet Union a state of the whole people. But that came to nothing after the ousting of Nikita Krushchev in 1964 and the theme was virtually forgotten until recently.

It is quite possible that at the next congress of the CPSU, tentatively scheduled for March-April 1976, a move will be made to declare the Soviet Union a state of the whole people and the party an organisation of the vanguard of the whole population.

In terms of ideology, this could be a highly significant and controversial move, and it would undoubtedly come under attack from the more orthodox Marxists, and the Chinese. It seems, therefore, that the Soviet party leaders are bracing themselves for these attacks by removing from the passports the means of identifying someone's class.

For the rest, the only difference it would make is that instead of a dirty grey, miserable-looking passport, there will be a bright red one, and for the first time the words "Citizen of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics" will be imprinted in gold on the document. The cover of the present passport carries only the coat of arms of the Soviet Union embossed in black.

The process of changing the passports will take six years, starting from January 1976. But all Muscovites will have their bright passports to the future before the 1980 Olympics.

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Reaction to Kissinger threat

Riad asks oil nations to plan joint defence

BEIRUT (UPI). — Arab League Secretary General Mahmoud Riad yesterday called on oil-exporting nations to adopt defensive measures that would protect them in the event of a confrontation with the U.S. over their oil fields.

Riad's comment, made in Cairo, was the strongest official reaction yet to U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's remark last week that the U.S. might intervene militarily if another Arab oil embargo ever imposed the threat of "strangulation" on the industrialized world.

Riad called Kissinger's remarks a "violation of the charter of the United Nations under which the countries of the world, including the U.S., agreed to a world system that bans the use and threat of force."

He said Arab states should take the threat seriously and draw up "protective measures" to thwart it.

In Kuwait, state minister Abdel Aziz Hussein said the U.S. was trying to "restrain the freedom of the oil producers to decide on their own price of their raw materials." He said it was the world's inflationary spiral — not producers' whims — that forced the four-fold price increase of oil over the past year.

The semi-official Cairo newspaper "Al Ahram" accused Kissinger of "playing with fire" and "heightening international tension" and said the only way to solve the energy crisis "is through cooperation, not confrontation."

Oil experts in Beirut and elsewhere were dismayed by the Kissinger remark — not because the threat of force to assure oil supply surprised them, but because saying so publicly can only anger Arab nations at a time when Kissinger needs their support in his efforts to negotiate a Middle East peace settlement.

The only sensible reason for bringing up the invasion threat now is that Kissinger believes another Middle East war is inevitable and he wants to serve notice on the oil states that the U.S. will not stand for another oil embargo like the one the Arabs imposed on the West during the last war," one oil source said.

In Washington, two Democratic members of Congress strongly criticized Kissinger's statement. But Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott said he had told Kissinger he was right to make the comment.

John Brademas, chief deputy Democratic whip in the House of Representatives, said in a television interview: "I don't see that Dr. Kissinger's statement served any useful purpose whatsoever. I think it was unwise. I think it was unwarranted. I do not think it was a responsible statement."

Henry Reuss, another Democrat, also said in a television interview he repudiated Kissinger's remarks. He called them immoral. "I think Dr. Kissinger slipped and I hope he will recover," he said.

But Senator Scott, appearing in another television programme, said too much was being made of Kissinger's statement, "although I think it is entirely right that he should have said it in that context and I have told him so."

He said he could not imagine the U.S. not doing whatever it needed to do, either militarily or economically, for survival, "and we wouldn't be worth a damn as a nation if we didn't."

Whooping crane to have quieter winter

WASHINGTON (AP). — The nearly extinct whooping crane is to have Texas's Matagorda Island — its wintering grounds — all to itself henceforth. The Air Force on Monday announced it would stop using the Gulf Coast island for bombing and gunnery practice.

Only 46 of the birds returned to Matagorda in 1973, and the Interior Department said it was "reasonable to assume" that the bombing and high-speed, low-level flights were a reason.



Survivors of a freighter's collision with a bridge in Tasmania huddle under blankets on board a launch after being rescued from the water. (AP radiophoto)

Deaths in Tasmania bridge collapse may reach 20

HOBART, Tasmania (Reuter). — The number of people killed on Sunday night when a laden merchant ship rammed and partly demolished Hobart's 1.6-kms.-long road bridge may be as high as 20.

The bodies of five crewmen from the ship, the 7,200-ton Lake Illawarra, have already been recovered. Divers yesterday braved the swirling icy water under the damaged bridge to search for other victims.

Two other crewmen and the passengers of four cars seen to plunge from the bridge after the collapse were still missing. The cars were seen to plummet from the bridge moments after the spans, on the eastern side of the bridge, were sheared away by the force of the ramming.

Inspector Roy Briscoe of Hobart Police confirmed yesterday that five bodies had been recovered. He said he expected the death toll would be at least 20.

One driver, Murray Ling, said he stopped his car three feet from the gap as the road disappeared in front of him. "I got out and started waving," he said. "But another car came past fast and went straight through into space."

ARAFAT WARNS OF ECONOMIC DESTRUCTION OF THE WEST

PARIS (UPI). — Arab countries can count on "the support of powerful allies" if the U.S. carries out warnings it might occupy oilfields to safeguard Western economic interests, terrorist leader Yasser Arafat said in an interview published yesterday.

"The U.S. is dangling a threat to intervene militarily to occupy oil wells," the PLO chief told the Paris newspaper "Le Monde" in Beirut. "But in envisaging such an operation, the Americans are losing sight of two decisive factors. For one thing, the Arabs... would blow up their oil wells, and for another the U.S. does not boss the world. We can count on the support of powerful allies in the international community."

Arafat also said Europe as well as the U.S. would suffer if Arab nations undertook any new economic reprisals in the event of a fifth war with Israel.

"The Arabs don't have any choice. They cannot distinguish between Americans and Europeans when they (the Arabs) follow the example of Samson in the temple of the Philistines," Arafat said. "The economic catastrophe that we would set off would spread by the force of things to all Western countries."

In another interview, Arafat said Palestinian terrorists have lost 37,600 people killed in 10 years.

Arafat told Beirut's leftist weekly magazine "Al Balagh" that 10,000 terrorists are under arrest in Israel.

U.S. gold rush off to sluggish start

WASHINGTON (UPI). — About 300 persons and firms, including one who offered 11 cents an ounce, submitted bids yesterday in the U.S. government's first public gold auction of the century.

Nearly 56 of the Government's 7,100-ton stockpile are being auctioned off in an attempt to keep foreign gold from pouring into the U.S. With gold $173 an ounce at the London morning fixing, the auction is the largest the world has ever seen.

The first bid opened after the auction's 6 p.m. (Israel time) start was submitted by the New York firm of Austern and Paul, Inc. — $156 an ounce for one 400-ounce brick of gold.

The second bid was from Vito Demarino of San Diego, California, who offered $45.10 for a brick — about 11 cents an ounce. (J.B. Stouffer, U.S. Director of Surplus Disposal, had said the Federal Government reserves the right to reject any unsuitable offers.)

None of the early bidders sought to buy more than one 400-ounce brick, the minimum amount.

Larger bids were expected, however, before the auction's scheduled end yesterday. DeWitt Alexandre Jr., a metals salesman for Bache and Co. of New York, submitted bids for the New York investment house.

An official of the General Services Administration, which was handling the auction on behalf of the treasury department, said the 300 bids received did not constitute a particularly active auction.

On December 31 Americans were allowed to own gold for the first time in over 40 years, under a bill signed by President Ford.

The government decided on the auction after predictions there would be a rush to hoard gold in the U.S., which could lead to a sharp rise in gold imports and adversely affect the country's balance of payments.

But gold markets slumped when they reopened on December 31 and the price has since dropped from nearly $200 an ounce to $174.

Most buyers at the auction waited until the last minute before submitting bids so they could know current market prices around the world.

In the London bullion market, which sets the pace for the others, the price slipped by one dollar — to $173 — amid hectic trading. South African one-ounce Krugerrand gold coins dropped back to £82.5 each, compared with £84 at the close of trading on Friday.

In Zurich the price jumped three dollars an ounce in early dealings and gold traded at $174 an ounce compared with Friday's closing price of $171.

SPILL — A Japanese supertanker ran aground off Singapore yesterday, spilling thousands of kilolikters of crude oil into a busy strait, and Singapore officials began trying to disperse it with detergents.

Six Lebanese outlaws defy assault on *suk*

TRIPOLI (AP). — Six desperados defied a tightening siege by 40 armoured cars and hundreds of Lebanese troops yesterday deep inside this northern port's ancient market place. The gunmen killed a second soldier yesterday morning as the army continued repeated assaults that began on Sunday morning.

The troops rounded up 75 persons in Sunday's action, including about 30 of the wanted criminals who had turned the ancient Tripoli *suk* (market) into an armed state-within-a-state.

An army captain and one fugitive were killed on Sunday, and 12 persons, including four soldiers, three policeman and five outlaws were wounded.

Six of the gang, including its leader Ahmed Khaddour and his three top lieutenants — Albert Helou, Feisal Attrash and Abdul Ghani Khamoun — escaped the original assault and barricaded themselves with two other armed men in an apartment building.

Police said a heavy exchange of fire between the gunmen and surrounding troops began at dawn.

Kaddour's wife Khadra, Attrash's girl friend and her sister, a night-club entertainer, were among those arrested.

Premier Rashid Solh said prostitutes and pimps also were arrested.

Police displayed a poster captured in Kaddour's headquarters during Sunday's assault. It read: "Yes, a state-within-a-state. Let mouths and pens be still. Only the rifle should talk."

Kaddour, wanted on eight counts of murder and 34 lesser charges, turned the central *souk* area into his private preserve nine months ago, gathering around him three dozen wanted men and setting up barricades bristling with automatic weapons.

The arms were believed to have been provided by extremist political elements, authorities said.

Premier Solh, who took office on a law-and-order platform late last year, said he waited for the holiday season to end before ordering an all-out assault on the Tripoli enclave. Smaller-scale efforts to dislodge the outlaws failed.

12,000 gold miners riot in S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG. — Labour unrest sweeping South Africa's gold fields yesterday hit a fourth mine where 12,000 black workers downed tools in what mine officials said was the largest strike in recent years.

One man was killed and five injured as fresh violence flared in a confrontation between police and the striking miners at Vaal Reefs, the world's largest gold mine. Outbuildings were wrecked and cars stoned before the police managed to restore order.

Mining officials said the men were angered by legislation in neighbouring Lesotho requiring workers from that country to deposit 60 per cent of their earnings there.

Lesotho Prime Minister Lebua Jonathan, whose government announced the legislation last week, will convene an emergency meeting in his capital at Maseru Tuesday to discuss the miners' grievances, a Lesotho government spokesman said.

The mines hit all are controlled by Anglo-American, South Africa's largest mining house, and a company official said workers had been urged to form a committee to be flown to Maseru for the talks. He said at least one day's production has been lost as a result of the strike.

All but 24 per cent of South Africa's 385,000 underground workers are migrant labourers from neighbouring black countries.

(AP, UPI)

Nixon should have destroyed tapes — Liddy

WASHINGTON (AP). — Convicted Watergate burglar G. Gordon Liddy says former President Richard M. Nixon did not act ruthlessly enough in coping with the scandal and should have destroyed the tape recordings that eventually drove him from office.

In a televised interview, Liddy also characterized former White House counsel John W. Dean III as a "stool pigeon" and former Nixon re-election committee head Jeb Stuart Magruder as "an accomplished, skillful liar."

"I think in all fairness to the man you would have to put him right up there with Judas Iscariot," Liddy said of Dean, who along with Magruder was a chief prosecution witness in the Watergate cover-up trial.

Liddy served about 18 months in prison before being released on bond while one of his sentences is appealed. He has been sentenced to six years and eight months to 20 years for his role in Watergate, 18 months for contempt of court and one to three years for his role in the Ellsberg conspiracy case.

Liddy said that Nixon was "insufficiently ruthless" in dealing with "these domestic difficulties in which he was engaged." Liddy said that when the existence of the White House tapes was disclosed, he would have stated publicly that "they are being destroyed, in fact, they have been destroyed."

Liddy refused in the interview, as he has before, to break his silence on what he knows about Watergate. But he rescribed Watergate as a justified intelligence gathering operation.



A resident of the Phu Lam suburb of Saigon douses the embers of what was his house after a Vietcong rocket attack on Monday. Communist-led forces aimed missiles at a nearby international communications centre, but some of the shells fell into the residential area, killing four civilians and demolishing scores of houses. Vietcong forces also launched heavy artillery and tank assaults against the South Vietnamese provincial capital of Phuoc Binh city. (AP radiophoto)

Debris from U.S. moon ship is falling back to earth

HUNTSVILLE, Alabama (Reuter). — The United States has alerted the UN Security Council about the imminent arrival in the earth's atmosphere of 20 tons of scrap metal — the debris from the huge second stage of a Saturn-5 moon rocket.

"We want to make sure they know it isn't some kind of a bomb," an official at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) flight centre said here.

A colleague said Nasa rated the chances of the debris striking people or property as almost non-existent.

At Huntsville's ballistic missile defence advanced technology centre, an official indicated that any attempt to break up the debris with a missile would be unlikely to succeed.

The space flight centre is predicting that the second stage of the rocket — which placed the 100-ton Skylab space station in orbit in May, 1973 — will re-enter the earth's atmosphere this Friday, at approximately 9.00 p.m. Israel time.

It is looping the earth at about 27,600 kms. per hour — the speed at which it will strike the earth's dense atmosphere, causing parts to burn out and spew fire in the sky.

Nasa officials said the best prediction now is that about half the rocket stage will remain intact on re-entering the atmosphere.

They said that as much as 22,700 kilos — including the empty liquid oxygen tanks, steel structures and struts inside the rocket, and five big engines — could all stand the terrific heat that will accompany the re-entry.

During final orbit of the S-2, another official said, the rocket stage could easily be on a trajectory which covers up to 70 per cent of the earth's land mass.

While some of the large structures of the S-2 are expected to keep their shape, the stage is expected to blow apart and cover a land area of anywhere from 2,600 to 5,600 sq. km.

Officials at the space centre conceded that there is not much experimental information they can use to predict precisely what will happen.

They said Nasa does not plan to notify any specific region when the S-2 returns because it could "skip around" in the atmosphere.

Returning space debris from earlier U.S. Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programmes never caused any casualties or damaged property, the agency has said.

But it also noted recently that the Saturn remnants will be the largest man-made debris ever to re-enter the earth's atmosphere.

American astronauts to say 'da' while Russians say 'yes' in space

MOSCOW (UPI). — American and Soviet spacemen will swap languages and national dishes during their planned link-up 224 kms. above the earth next July, according to the head of Soviet cosmonaut training, Vladimir A. Shatalov.

In an interview in the weekly "Novoe Vremya," Shatalov said: "During the flight, the Soviet crew will speak English and the American crew will speak Russian.

"It is easier this way because when persons speak a foreign language they speak slowly and more clearly."

The joint project calls for a Soviet Soyuz craft with two men aboard to dock with a three-man American Apollo next July 17. The vehicles are scheduled to fly in tandem for two days during which the Americans and Russians will cross into each other's craft, conducting joint experiments. The spaceships will then separate and return to earth.

Shatalov said the spacemen had tasted each other's menus and found they all liked harcho, a spiced Asian soup, Moscow borscht, ham, mutton and chicken with prunes.

"The crewmen will offer the food of their country," he said. Drinks will be the same — iced water, fruit juice and coffee. Shatalov said the food was chosen with care because during tests, it was found not everyone liked corn soup or Russian cheese.

Shatalov said the Soviets have prepared two Soyuz vehicles, each with two backup crews, and the crews and the spaceships are fully prepared for the flight.

"We have two ships in case the Americans are four or five days late into orbit. In that case, we can launch the reserve Soyuz and carry out the link-up," he said.

Meanwhile, Tass news agency announced yesterday that the Salyut 4 space station launched on December 26 had completed its 180th journey round the earth and is functioning normally. It was Tass's first mention of Salyut since its launch. The agency said corrections were made to put the unmanned vehicle into a new orbit with a maximum height above earth of 355 kms. and a minimum of 343 kms. it is circling the earth every 91.6 minutes.

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Peace talks with Filipino rebels set this month

KUALA LUMPUR. — Final preparations are under way for cease-fire and peace talks between the Philippines' government and southern Filipino Moslem rebels, according to the leader of an Islamic mediation mission.

Hassan al Touhamy, secretary-general of the World Islamic Conference, left for home yesterday, saying Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos has agreed to several proposals aimed at securing a lasting settlement, and talks to settle differences between the government and the rebels would be held in about 10 days.

Touhamy, who met President Marcos in Manila before visiting Jakarta and coming here, added there had been full agreement on the issues that were to be discussed by the two sides.

He also had met with Moslem rebel leaders in the southern Philippines.

The rebels have been fighting a guerrilla war and alleging the Manila government is not doing enough for Moslems in the south. They have demanded some form of autonomy.

"President Marcos has agreed that Filipino Moslem property and land lost in the fighting should be returned after peace returns. He has also agreed on the free movement of Moslems between their southern and northern islands," Touhamy said.

He said Marcos also gave his assent to provision of a neutral ground for talks on a cease-fire. "We (the mission) are now in the final stages of preparing for negotiations between representatives of the Moslem movement and the Manila government on a lasting settlement," he said.

The Islamic Secretariat is the administrative arm of the Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference, which is trying to settle the differences and has offered several million dollars worth of aid to the Moslems through the Manila government.

(UPI, AP)

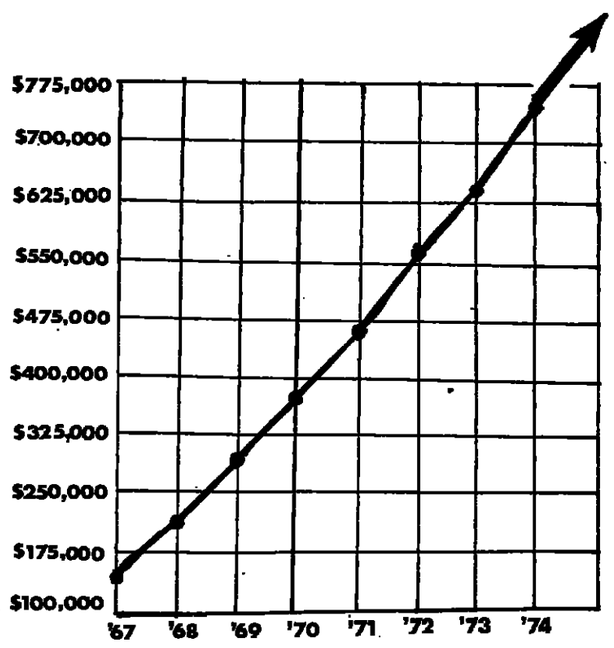
Only Arabs can afford stately homes

LONDON (UPI). — Big country houses in Britain, especially those in the Thames Valley near London, are now passing into the hands of oil-rich Arabs.

Ascot-based estate agents Tufnell said yesterday that Arabs are the only people who can afford them at the moment.

In its latest property report Tufnell said few estate agents can remember a year when the property-market has been in such a depressed stated. Hardest hit have been large country houses: "Comparatively few have been sold, but leading the buyers have been members of the Arab community," the report said.

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ALLENBY — Walking Tall; **BEN YEHUDA** — Les Petroleuses; **CINEMA ONE** — Seven Golden Men; **CINEMA TWO** — Mr. Majesty; **DEKEL** — Getting Straight; **ESTHER** — The Klansman; **GAT** — American Graffiti; **GORDON** — The Pedestrian; **CHEN** — Juggernaut; **DRIVE-IN** — 5.00 p.m. Tin Tin The Little Dog; 7.15 Rita Goes To War; 9.45 — The Little Cigars; **HOD** — Newman's Law; **MAXIM** — The Seduction; **PEER** — O Lucky Man; **ORLY** — A Warm December; **RAMAT AVIV** — Traitment de Choc; **LIMOR** — Un Amour de Pluie; **OPHIR** — Inside Job; **MOGRABI** — Death Wish; **TCHELET** — Casablanca; **TEL AVIV** — 99 44/100% Dead; **STUDIO** — Murder on the Orient Express; **PARIS** — L'Amour d'Apres Midi, 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; **ZAFON** — Stavisky.

HAIFA

AMPHITHEATRE — Sex and the Teacher; **ARMON** — Juggernaut; **ATZMON** — Deux Hommes Dans la Ville; **BEIT ROTHSCHILD** — Sat, Mon., Tues., Wed., 6.45, 9.00 Minnie and Moskowitz; Sun. 9.15 Focus Thurs. 8.45 Rendezvous a Bray; **CHEN** — Gold; **MIRON** — Hot Pants; **MORIAH** — Serpico; **OHAH** — La Bonne Annee; **ORDAN** — Love Is a Many Splendoured Thing; **ORION** — I'm A Man; **ORLY** — Avanti; **PEER** — The Sugarland Express; **RON** — The Marseille Contract; **SHAVIT** — Blazing Saddles.

RAMAT GAN

ARMON — Flatfoot; **HADAR** — My Darling Slave; **LILI** — Sleuth Mats at 4.00 Il Salvador; **ORDEA** — The Bridge on the River Kwai; **OASIS** — The Sting; **RAMA** — Dagger of Ice; **RAMAT GAN** — The Exorcist.

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS

1st Programme: *News:* 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m. 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 10.00, 11.00 and midnight.
Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 5.05 p.m., and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.

7.35 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Musical Delicacies" — Vivaldi: Lute Sonata; W. Fr. Bach: Duet for 2 Flutes; Beethoven: "Waldstein" Variations (Piano 4-hands); Brahms: Duet of the Nun and the Knight; Haydn: Duo for Violin and Cello. 9.05 Hour with Power-Biggs, Organ. 10.05 "The Beautiful Helens" (Eddy Halpern).
11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programme for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programme for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Choirs. 1.05 Midday Concert — Weber — Excerpts from "Oberon." 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea — Improving your knowledge." Literature — Questions and Answers. 3.50 The Halacha. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Tunes for Tweens." 5.10 "Jazz." 5.50 "Enigma." 6.05 Agriculture Magazine. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading, Yeshayahu, chaps 33 and 34. 8.05 Radio Chess Competition. 8.07 World of Science. *8.30 (Stereo) — Jerusalem* Symphony Orch. — Alvaro Cassuto, cond. — Liszt: "Les Preludes"; Concerto No. (D. Adni); "Dante" Symphony. 11.05 "From Another Angle." 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 428, 256, 249, 355 and 340 M.

5.58 a.m. *Opening.* 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 Good Morning. 8.55 "Names and Events in the Headlines." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.
1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 "Al Galav Yavi" — new records and recordings. 3.05 Requests — Oriental Songs. 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Hebrew Edition." 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Hebrew Edition." 5.10 "It Makes Me Laugh." 6.05 "Songs on One Theme." 6.45 Today's sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "Back to the Soviet Union." 10.05 "Public Opinion." 11.05 "I'm Yours and You are Mine." 1.05 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.32 News. 5.52 Service Broadcast. 5.42 "Children's Song Festival 5735." 6.00 Morasha. 6.30 Mabat. 9.00 "Kojak." 9.50 Moked. 10.40 News.
Educational: 7.50 Physics 7. 8.15 Advice and Guidance 9. 9.05 Maths 7. 10.00 English 10. 10.20 English 6. 10.45 For Kindergarteners. 11.05 English 7. 11.35 Art. 12.00 English 9. 12.20 English 8. 12.40 Technology 9. 1.00 Citizenship 7. 4.00 English 9. 4.20 Film. 4.30 French. 4.55 Physics.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Quiz. 6.45 Songs. 7.00 Greek-Orthodox Christmas Mass. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

6.55 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song and Melody. 8.05 Song and Melody.
IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.
ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 8.00-8.45 p.m. (4th programme); 10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).
FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme); 8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 202 M.
Short Waves — 25, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
234, 220 and 220 M.

5.55 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning Tunes. 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 9.55 With Nathan Donewitz. 10.05 Warm and Tasty. 10.30 "Me and My Songs." 10.45 Warm and Tasty. 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 Warm and Tasty. 11.55 Yosef Lapid's Corner. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.25 "Midday Star." 12.55 "It Reminds Me." 1.05 Sasha Argov's Songs. 1.55 p.m. *Announcements.* 2.05 "Two till Four" — with Gila Almagor. 4.05 Please Call. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. 5.55 Programme Trailer. 6.05 "The Volunteers." 7.05 Art and Entertainment Magazine. 9.05 By Request. 9.35 Jazz. 10.05 "Let's Talk" — with Nathan Donewitz. 11.55 Midnight Talk. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.35 "Night Birds." 2.05 Light Music. 3.05-6.00 Tunes in the Night.

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Bonds regain their pace

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The bond market, which faltered a bit on Sunday, regained pace yesterday. There was a slight advance among the short-term issues. The long-termers were either steady or a shade weaker than on Sunday.

Stock prices were stable yesterday, with trading volume almost identical with Sunday.

Bond turnover was IL13,660,000. In stocks, the volume amounted to IL1,450,000. Of this, IL385,000 was in variables.

The best performers among the stocks yesterday included Bank Leumi, 243 on a volume of 84,000 shares; United Mizrahi bearer, 166 on 41,000 turnover; Zur traded at 185 on a volume of 32,000; Paper Mills, 119 on 20,000; and Discount Investment traded at 155 on a turnover of 34,000.

The general index remained at 100.30.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	—	422.5
6% Electric Corp. A	r	166.5	175
6% Electric Corp. B	r	157.5	127.8
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elite 1965, Index 110.1	b	—	255
Bitahon 1965, Series 41	b	176	163.5
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	133.3	156
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otzar Hityashvut	r	210	218
I.D.B. pref.	r	282.5	282.5
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	194	194
Union Bank	r	297	293
Discount Bank "A"	r	419	420
United Mizrahi Bank	b	166	166.5
Bank Hapoalim—70%	b	239	238
Bank Leumi "A"	r	243	243
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	265.5	262
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	151.5	149
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	253	253
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	183.5	184
Tefahot 8%	b	220.5	222
Tefahot	b	220	218
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	86	86
Aryeh	r	220.5	220
Hasneh Insurance	b	217.5	217.5
Schar—"C"	b	222	217.5
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	70.5	72
Delek C.	r	123	122.5
Cold Storage—IL10	r	136	138
Israel Electric Corp.	r	135	138
Lighterage & Supply	r	134	134
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND OFFICES			
Asorim	r	116	115
Africa Isr. IL10	r	198	197.5
Isr. Land Dev.	b	105	105.5
Solel Boneh—10%	b	119.5	118.5
Property & Build.	r	180	181.5
Isras	b	103.5	103
Mehadrin	b r	168	171
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r b	90	92
Anglo-Isr. Investor	r b	178	178
Neot Aviv	r r	77.5	77
Pri Or Ltd.	r r	153	155
Rassco—8%	r r	75.5	75.5
Rassco—O.	r r	54	53
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	440	450
Elco—3.5	b r	102	102
Electra—5	b r	139	144
"Argaman"—8%	r b	195	195
"Ata"—C	r b	82	82
Dubek	r b	330.5	330.5
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	143	135
Teva		1151	1040
Chem. & Phosphates	r	108	108.5
Lewin Epstein	b r	69	67.5
Moller Textile	r b	132	132
Phoenicia—8%	b r	68.5	68.5
Paper Mills	r b	219	216
Assis "B"	r b	171	171
Nechushtan	r b	696	699
Elite (A)	r b	198	194
Shemen—8%	r b	106	106
"Tsel" Plywood	b	111	112
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	81	83
Ellern	b	135	138
Israel Central Trade	r	151.5	151.5
Bank Hapoalim	b	348	348
Paz	b	86.5	85.5
Wolfson IL10	b	68	68
Ampa	r	108	102.5
Discount Bank	b r	155	156
United Mizrahi	b	139.5	139.5
Bank Leumi	r	191.5	190.5
Piryon Investment	r	88	83
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	80	84.5
Export Bank	b	60	61
Clal Investment	r	200	200
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Lapidoth OTC	r	170.5	162

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WALL STREET Closing Monday, January 6, 1975

Still on upward course

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market stayed on an upward course yesterday, but seemed to be struggling to maintain the momentum of last week's sharp gain.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, up about 7 points at its best level early in the session, showed a three point gain half an hour before the close. Gainers, however, maintained nearly a five to one lead over losers in active trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Early buying was attributed to the Federal Reserve's reduction of its discount rate, from 7.75 to 7.25 per cent, announced after Friday's close. The key rate on loans from the Federal Reserve to its member commercial banks usually exerts a strong pull on other money rates, and the reduction was widely seen as a move toward a more stimulative credit policy by the central bank.

The rally ran into periodic bouts of profit-taking as the day wore on, however.

How depression haunts middle Americans

By CHARLES FOLEY

LOS ANGELES (Ofns). — FOR SIX MILLION American breadwinners, jobless and increasingly hopeless, the recession brought a black holiday season. California, the barometer state, already has 8.7 per cent of its work force unemployed, compared with a national average of 6.5 per cent — and its second city, San Diego, is above the 10 per cent level. A long cold winter is on, and with it the worst and longest recession since World War II.

Across the nation a staggering 37.5 per cent of the black teenage population — the young and black are always the hardest hit by any slump — are idle and ineligible for unemployment benefits. But this time the fear of a depression as bad as that of the thirties is haunting the white middle classes no less than the poor in the Watts ghetto near here.

Among the industrial giants who have already made big lay-offs are General Motors, Xerox, General Electric, Union Pacific, RCA and Sears Roebuck, which has been hit by the heavy slump in Christmas sales. Some people were "released" at a few hours' notice, shortly before deadlines guaranteeing three days' paid holiday over Christmas and New Year.

"This time, lay-offs are in all sections of employment, not just one or two," says a Californian labour official. "Workers are being sent home by the car industry, steel, lumber, computer firms, electronics, textiles, construction. Some plants have been indefinitely closed down." A few states have run out of funds to assist the unemployed: others are borrowing.

Many of those being "let go" are *white-collar people. A Los Angeles* car dealer has reduced his staff to a single person, himself. A real estate developer has cleared out an entire office floor because of staff cuts. Some firms are laying off workers who have been with their companies for 20 or 30 years.

More than half of those left idle have no unemployment insurance — in California alone each week 4,000 exhaust their short-term benefits. Shame-faced middle class families are queueing for the first time to obtain federal food stamps, which can be exchanged for groceries, to supplement their diets. Often they wait several hours for attention, then return again and again with additional evidence to fill a seven-page questionnaire.

Nearly 15 million people are already receiving food stamps, but at least another 25 million are eligible. Some are too proud to accept "charity", but more simply don't realize that they qualify, because the Government makes no effort to inform them. So far from boosting their programme, Washington plans to cut $140 million from it by next March.

Christmas bonuses were just a fond memory in many offices, and so were those jovial Christmas parties. McDonnell Douglas, the Californian aerospace giant, closed its plants for a full week and refused to pay 3,000 scientists and engineers for that period. The energy pinch and the car slump — industry lay-offs will top 140,000 in Detroit by the end of January — are shaking California, the state with the most cars. Major oil firms have now "deactivated" 24,000 petrol stations across the country and plan to close thousands more early this year, bringing the total left open to the lowest figure since 1950.

The cash shortage has sharply reduced donations at this time of traditionally generous response to appeals for the sick and needy. "Money gifts are down by a third or more," says a Salvation Army spokesman. "People are hanging on to their possessions. An overcoat that would have been given us last winter is being made to last another year or two."

Faced with all this, the Senate has passed a Bill authorizing a generous $7,000 million for extra unemployment benefits and public works to absorb some of the jobless, but the House of Representatives wants that cut to $5,000 million, while President Ford plans to halve *that*. The White House is being accused of quietly courting unemployment as a means of combating inflation, and, indeed, Treasury Secretary William Simon said recently he opposed any strong attack on recession, arguing that an attempt to *pump up the economy now would* trigger a new inflationary explosion.

Dissatisfaction with the President's performance runs all the way from the laid-off worker to whom the oft-repeated urging to "waste less, drive less, heat less, eat less" has become a grim jest, to that other Ford, Henry II, chairman of Ford Motors, who says: "Washington must take steps that will persuade people that the nation is still under control and not drifting helplessly into disaster."

A very few areas of business are doing nicely. Debt collection agencies, for instance, have expanded their staffs. And the movies are booming as rarely before, thanks to the public appetite for epics of disaster like "Earthquake" which lays Los Angeles flat. There is, it seems, some relief in watching a catastrophe bigger than the one that comes in your pay packet.

The manufacturers hope that they will be able to sell licences so that the "wonder vessel" can be built in other continents and help contribute towards a cleaner *environment*.

Anti-oil pollution ship developed by Berlin firm

By PETER KIRCHHOFF

BERLIN (DaD). — A local firm has developed a ship which they say will be able to clear up most of the mess left after oil tanker accidents. Europe's first anti-oil-pollution craft soaked up 500 litres of diesel oil from a harbour basin under the critical gaze of experts, and pumped purified water back into the harbour.

This new ship can manage without using expensive chemicals. When called to the scene of oil spillage it opens its "mouth" like a giant fish and sucks in the surface layer of oil and water. The hold of the boat contains gigantic filtration equipment which carries out the *first phase of separating the oil* and water. The mixture is then pumped into the so-called decanting chamber where it is further processed. The water, being heavy, can then be sucked off from under the layer *of oil and pumped out again*. The oil with its lower specific gravity can be scooped off the top and pumped into tanks. After further treatment it can even be used again.

In one hour the boat can treat about 15,000 litres of contaminated water, equal to an oil slick covering about 30,000 sq. metres. The boat is so designed that it can be used in fairly shallow water, and even when there is a swell with waves up to two metres high it can go into action. Its manoeuvrability makes it suitable for use in awkward inland waters and harbours.

Despite its great versatility and large capacity the vessel is only *four metres broad and about* 15 metres long. If there is a major emergency the oil suction vessel could be loaded on to a transporter and rushed to the scene of the disaster by road.

MUSIC REVIEWS

Conductor succeeds in ambitious programme

THE IPO'S FOURTH subscription concert (Tel-Aviv, Mann Auditorium, Jan. 2) offered an unusually varied fare: Haydn's Symphony No. 95, "Two Movements for Orchestra" by our own Asher Ben-Yohanan, Ginastera's harp concerto and finally Bruckner's "Te Deum." The last three were all IPO firsts. The concert also presented an imposing array of musicians: harpist Judith Lieber as soloist in the Ginastera and in the "Te Deum," soprano Stella Richmond, alto Ada Gershuni, tenor Osvaldo Tourn, bass Isser Bushkin and the Tel-Aviv Philharmonic Choir (directed by Stanley Sperber).

Even for a conductor who has planned well in advance, such a programme is a most ambitious undertaking; and this is even more so for one replacing a colleague at short notice (the concert was to be conducted by Walter Weller). Praise therefore goes first to conductor Erich Bergel for his outstanding effort and considerable success. All four works showed that Bergel is a most competent and responsible musician, perseveres in his aims.

He insists on what he thinks essential and the results he achieves are impressive. Haydn emerged chamber-music like, and restrained in sonority. The first movement was *slightly stiff* but the last, partly polyphonic, was rich and stimulating. In Ben-Yohanan's first movement, rhythmic and dynamic diversities were well organized within a well-defined range and brought out with great care. The motifs were clear both as isolated patterns and as complete mosaics, allowing the sophisticated structure to emerge clearly throughout.

Whereas in Ben-Yohanan, Bergel showed his skill in handling microstructures, the "Te Deum" allowed him to present the majestic and the monumental. Bergel had an excellent quartet of singers at his disposal. Osvaldo Tourn exploited the tenor's solo fully, demonstrating beautiful timbre and expressiveness. The choir, on the other hand, did not add very much to the quality of the performance. Their intonation was not very satisfactory, their singing lacked expressiveness and some of the passages sounded pretty flat.

The Ginastera proved the most exciting experience of the evening, as far as both music and performance are concerned. The concerto is extremely beautiful, and its second movement especially unfolds an enchanting soundscape. Miss Lieber seemed deeply involved with its melodic and harmonic beauties, and her imaginative playing and sonorities ranged from the faintest, *most delicate shades to a full and* glittering *forte*.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

CINEMA

Far-fetched, but gripping

JUGGERNAUT (Chen, Tel Aviv, and Armon Haifa) is a topical suspense drama, set aboard a luxury cruise liner threatened with demolition by an extortionist who has hidden seven explosive devices on the vessel. The director is Richard Lester, best known for a series of comedies ranging from "Help!" and "The Knack" to "The Three Musketeers." The film was written and produced by Richard DeKoker.

For the movie, the Russian liner Maxim Gorki was converted into the "Britannic," first seen sailing from Southampton carrying 1,200 passengers and crew. When the ship is well out in the gale-tossed Atlantic, its London owners are phoned by a man calling himself "Juggernaut," who warns that the vessel will be blown to smithereens unless he is paid £500,000 within 24 hours (this part of the story recalls the Arab terrorist threats against Queen Elizabeth II, on her voyage from Southampton to Israel in 1973). While Scotland Yard investigates suspects, the Royal Navy's top bomb disposal expert, *Lieut.-Commander Fallon, is flown* to the liner, along with a six-man team; the sequence showing their parachute-landing in the stormy seas and desperate efforts to swim to the ship and climb aboard up the swaying rope ladders is brilliantly done. Equally effective is the nail-biting climax, with the naval team fighting against time to locate and defuse the deadly explosives (though how they were placed on the "Britannic" is never really explained).

These two episodes, plus a scintillating performance by Richard Harris as the philosophical, wise-cracking Fallon, and some thought-provoking dialogue certainly make worth seeing. However, the first half drags somewhat, and the inevitable thumb-nail sketches of several of the passengers lack originality. While Omar Sharif is wooden as the liner's captain, Shirley Knight does well in the female lead and Roy Kinnear is extremely good as the entertainment officer, gamely carrying on with his job. Roshan Seth makes his mark in the small part of a steward. Far-fetched, but quite gripping. *JACK LEON*

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"Dance Perspectives," an American dance quarterly, has just entirely devoted a 60-page issue to an article by Judith Brin Ingber entitled "Shorashim: the Roots of Israeli Folk Dance." Formerly on the staff of "Dance Magazine" in New York, she is now living and teaching in Israel.

Dutch push ahead with bold Delta dam scheme

By HENRY SCHOUP

THE HAGUE, Netherlands. — After the *five-year German occupation* during World War II, the greatest single disaster that befell Holland since medieval times was the Great Flood of 1953. On Saturday night, January 31, a howling gale veering between northwest and northeast pushed the waters of the North Sea toward the English Channel and caused them to breach the coastal defences of Holland, Belgium and England. Holland bore the brunt of the onslaught and saw its entire southwest region, the province of Zeeland, swallowed up. During that weekend, 1,800 people died and 72,500 were made homeless.

Exactly one year later, the Public Works Department, *known as Waterstaat*, which was still busy repairing what remained of the war damage to dunes and dikes, came up with the boldest plan the Dutch had ever devised. It called for the closing of four major estuaries in the disaster area by means of huge dams across their mouths. It was a scheme ranking in size with the Tennessee Valley Authority of the building of Egypt's Aswan Dam and it was estimated to cost some $1,000m. Over a period of 20 years, the vast sea arms which received the waters of three major European rivers — Rhine, Meuse and Schelde — would be turned into fresh water lakes, with only the Wester Schelde, giving access to the port of Antwerp, remaining open.

The scheme, known as the Delta Plan, received the almost unanimous backing of the Dutch Lower House although it placed an unprecedented burden on the national economy. It held everything that was dear to Dutch tradition. It provided all-round protection of the estuary region by shortening the coast line by 700 kilometres and obviated the need for reinforcing the inland dikes which would be lying in non-tidal water. It also promised to add 25,000 acres of arable land to Holland's territory.

This was the situation until the end of the 1960s when allocations had to be made for the final and most ambitious stage of the giant plan — the damming of the Easter Schelde. By that time, industries in the delta area and in Holland's hinterland had turned the Rhine and Schelde rivers into open sewers while the quality of the Meuse water had also suffered from pollution. This gave the problem of protecting the estuary region in an entirely new dimension, unforeseen when the Delta Plan was drawn up.

An action committee of engineers and biologists argued that the conversion of this open sea arm into an inland lake, fed by the three big rivers, would produce a vast area of foul water as biologically dead as the Schelde and most parts of the Rhine. Biologists also warned that the Schelde estuary would be irretrievably lost as a nursery for North Sea fish and other marine life.

After the debate had raged for five years, the Government appointed an independent committee of experts to decide the issue. The result was a plan which, in its technical complexity, far outstripped the original Delta scheme. "Keep the Easter Schelde open," the committee said, but create the possibility of closing it at any moment of danger. This would require a unique structure, to be built in three phases. First, a caisson dam across the estuary mouth, to be completed in 1978. These caissons would have wide gaps between them slowing down but not eliminating the tidal flow. In a second phase, a unique "storm screen" would be added to the seaward side of the caisson dam, consisting of a number of huge cylinders (10 metres across) which could be closed at extremely high water levels. Finally, all *spaces in the caisson dam would* be filled, leaving the underwater cylinders as the only connection with the sea.

In November, the Dutch parliament, after much hesitation, adopted the scheme with 75 votes against 68. The Government added the condition that the entire dam would be ready by 1985.

The Dutch, who have shown both ability and willingness to take the global view in dealing with the natural forces that confront them, now hope that their concern for a healthy marine environment will not be thwarted by a further pullution of the North Sea. For, ironically, the Rhine is now being cleaned up while the oil derricks off the Scottish and Norwegian coasts are becoming a new threat. It would be tragic if, in a few years' time, the problem was reversed and the Easter Schelde had to be defended against sea instead of inland pollution. *(FWF)*

SPORTS ABROAD BERNIE BERNIKER

Hunter signs with Yankees for record $3.75m.

BASEBALL

JIM HUNTER, who was declared a free agent two weeks ago, has *signed a five-year contract* estimated at $3.75m. with the New York Yankees, ending the most celebrated bidding war in American sports history. Twenty-three out of the 24 major league clubs bid for his services. Only the San Francisco Giants did not enter the bidding.

The total value of the pact set a record for baseball. It is believed that the pact includes a $1m. bonus, a salary ow $200,000 a year for five years, a $1. life insurance policy, a 10-year retirement plan as $50,000 a year, a $25,000 insurance policy for each of his two children and $200,000 in attorneys' fees.

The decision, which Charles O. Finley, owner of the Oakland A's is contesting in court, created a unique situation in baseball history. While football, basketball and hockey have been subjected to costly bidding wars in the last 15 years, baseball has never had that problem. Before baseball adopted its free agent draft major league clubs competed for prospects and frequently paid upwards of $100,000. But a free agent of Hunter's experience and status was unheard of.

TENNIS

JOHN NEWCOMBE, after a six-month verbal battle with Jimmy Connors, staged one of the finest performances of his career to beat the American in the final of the Australian Open Tennis Championships. Playing in 100-degree temperature for 2 hours, 54 minutes, in Melbourne, Newcombe defeated the American left-hander, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6.

Connors had won 96 out of 100 matches during the year 1974, and was expected to defeat Newcombs.

In the women's final, Evonne *Goolagong retained her Australian* Open title with a 6-3, 6-2 victory over 18-year old Martina Navratilova of Czechoslovakia.

BASKETBALL

BILL WALTON'S first National Basketball Association season may be over because of a painful bone spur in his foot.

Lenny Wilkens, coach of the Portland Trail Blazers, said that a decision might be coming soon on whether Walton would be used any more this season.

Walton, three-time all-American from UCLA, and the first draft choice of the NBA, has missed the last 18 games because of the ailment and is now in Los Angeles being treated by an acupuncturist.

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Philadelphia	15	23	.405	8½
Central Division				
Washington	26	12	.684	—
Cleveland	20	15	.571	4½
Houston	20	17	.541	5½
Atlanta	16	23	.410	10½
New Orleans	3	33	.083	22
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Detroit	22	17	.564	—
Chicago	19	18	.514	2
KC-Omaha	18	22	.476	3½
Milwaukee	17	19	.472	3½
Pacific Division				
Golden State	24	12	.667	—
Seattle	19	19	.500	6
Portland	16	21	.432	8½
Los Angeles	16	22	.421	9
Phoenix	15	21	.417	9

FOOTBALL

THE OKLAHOMA SOONERS, the U.S.'s only unbeaten and united team, are college football's national champions for 1974.

The Sooners rose to the top of the college fotball world in Barry Switzer's second year as head coach. Despite a two-year probation for recruiting violations and a post-season bowl ban, they were named best team in the nation in the annual Associated Press final major *college poll of sports writers* and broadcasters.

The Sooners rolled to a perfect 11-0 record with only one close call, a 16-13 triumph over arch-rival Texas.

Oklahoma received 51 of 60 first-place votes and 1,162 of a possible 1,200 points Friday from the nationwide panel.

Southern California was runnerup to Oklahoma. Then came Michigan, Ohio State and Alabama. Notre Dame, the 1973 champion, finished sixth. Rounding out the top ten were Penn State, Auburn, Nebraska and Miami, Ohio.

TRACK & FIELD

BRITAIN'S VERONA Elder set a world's best indoor time of 54.1 seconds in winning the women's 400 metres event in the Phillips Cosford games in London. Her time was four-tenths of a second faster than the previous best set by East Germany's Waltraud Dietsch.

Mrs. Elder produced a world's best 600 metres on the same Cosford track last month.

London-based Mark Winzenreid clocked one minute 18.3 seconds to win the men's 600 metres, clipping five tenths of a second off the U.S. indoor record. The 25-year-old American completed the double, having won the 800 metres in 1:49.7 earlier in the day.

BOXING

FRENCH MIDDLEWEIGHT titleholder Max Cohen agreed to challenge Colombian Rodrigo Valdes for his World Boxing Council (WBC) middleweight crown in Grenoble on February 23.

The fight was to be staged in Paris, but was switched because of financial difficulties.

Cohen defeated Jean-Claude Boutier to take the French title on December 16.

SOCCER

WIMBLEDON, a humble soccer team of part-timers knocked First Division Burnley out of the third round of the English Cup with an incredible 1-0 win at Burnley on Saturday. It was one of the biggest upsets in English soccer history.

Altrincham, another minnow from outside the English league, almost did the same to another giant, Everton. Altrincham led 1-0 and Everton had a man sent off and were down to 10 men. But eventually Everton saved the game with a penalty goal and drew 1-1. That means a replay at Altrincham.

It was a day of dreams coming true for the little teams of England. Leatherhead, which plays in the southern league along with Wimbledon, eliminated Third Division Brighton 1-0 at Brighton. Wycombe wanderers, an amateur side, fought bravely and held Middlesbrough of the First Division to a 0-0 draw. Stafford Rangers drew 0-0 with Fourth Division Rotherham.

So none of the five unsung, non-league teams which reached the third round lost. This is the stage at which the first and second division teams come into the big knock-out event.

RESULTS

Arsenal 1, York City 1; Blackburn 1, Bristol Rovers 2; Bolton 0, West Bromwich 0; Burnley 0, Wimbledon 1; Bury 2, Millwall 2; Brighton 0, Leatherhead 1; Chelsea 3, Sheffield Wednesday 2; Coventry 2, Norwich 0; Everton 1, Altrincham 1; Fulham 1, Hull 1; Leeds 4, Cardiff 1; Leicester 3, Oxford 1; Liverpool 2, Stoke 0; Luton 0, Birmingham 1; Manchester Utd. 0, Walsall 0; Mansfield 1, Cambridge 0; Manchester City 0, Newcastle 2; Notts County 3, Portsmouth 1 (played Friday); Nottingham Forest 1, Tottenham 1; Oldham 0, Aston Villa 3; Orient 2, Derby 2; Peterborough 1, Tranmere 0; Plymouth 2, Blackpool 0; Preston 0, Carlisle 3; Sheffiel Utd. 2, Bristol City 0, Southampton 1, West Ham 2; Southend 2, Queens Park Rangers 2; Stafford 0, Rotherham 0; Sunderland 2, Chesterfield 0; Swindon 2, Lincoln 0; Wolverhampton 1, Ipswich 2; Wycombe 0, Middlesbrough 0.

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Germany's duty to stand firm

IT IS A TELLING COMMENT on the state of Europe that so many German ministers and officials have gone to such great length in recent days to assert the evenness and balance of Bonn's Middle East policy — merely because the Egyptian ambassador took offence at a magazine article.

"Der Spiegel," in what was plainly an attempt to embarrass the Chancellor, wrote some weeks ago of a "secret deal" under which Mr. Schmidt had undertaken to permit a future wartime U.S. airlift to Israel to be mounted via bases on German soil. Initial German denials were not unequivocal enough for Egyptian Ambassador Ibrahim Kamel, and subsequent statements from Mr. Schmidt, his foreign minister Mr. Genscher, the minister of state at the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Moersch, and several other officials have variously sought to reassure the Arabs of Germany's "balanced policy."

The U.S., and Israel too, have wisely maintained a careful silence.

Over the months since the Yom Kippur War, Europe's tactical kow-towing to the Arabs has become a bitterly familiar phenomenon. But the basic hope and belief must be that in a time of grave crisis for Israel, German statesmen would rise above the considerations of immediate oil-expediency and take account of the more fundamental German, European and indeed Western interests in the Middle East.

Germany, moreover, is bound up with Israel in a uniquely tragic past experience which must exert a considerable moral influence upon the decisions of its leaders.

It was disturbing, therefore, to read of Mr. Moersch's doubtful dialectic. "Relations with states are never of a special kind," he is reported to have said in reference to German-Israel ties. "The particularity of our relationship is that there is a big entanglement from past guilt on our side... But this has nothing to do with the general situation of interests..."

This argument takes Willy Brandt's tentative steps towards "normalization" of relations to unacceptable lengths.

Tactical subservience to Arab oil pressure is also unworthy of Germany's economic strength, political maturity and aspirations to a leadership role in the emergent European supra-national entity. On other planes, Bonn has stood firm in the face of Arab demands. It has not, for example, agreed to the PLO's receiving "observer status" in the projected Euro-Arab dialogue, although France and Italy are prepared to award the terrorist movements their desire, and thereby almost inevitably steer the proposed dialogue on an immediately political course.

It is to be hoped that counsels of national self-respect and political far-sightedness prevail in Bonn and that, now that last year's differences with the U.S. have been resolved, Germany will pursue policies befitting a leading nation of the Western world.

Egypt's bleak new year

CAIRO. — THE RIOTS AND PROTESTS of thousands of workers in the heart of Cairo on New Year's Day were not unexpected. They mirrored social and economic ills which grew in 1974 and are bound to worsen in the months ahead.

The situation was summed up by the editor of a French-language Cairo daily a few days before the disturbances began. "I invite you to shiver with me, without a hot bath, without hot soup at night, without comforting heaters, without butane gas," he wrote.

"And to think that during the fine summer days they promised us so much wealth and warmth," his column went on. "We should have got used to such surprises... but this time it really has gone too far... It seems that homes all over the world are warm, while ours are icy. Was the famous oil embargo against 'there' or against 'here'?"

The average Egyptian had very little to rejoice about in the holiday season of Id el Adha and Christmas.

On the home front the situation had been hurtling downhill from month to month during 1974 — the "year of victory" — without any reassuring signs of the promised breakthrough to peace and plenty.

"Where to begin?" asks a prominent Egyptian jurist, Wahid Rafat, in a series of articles in "Al Ahram" about "Our Daily Worries."

In what he describes as "this long unfolding of crises and problems," Dr. Raafat lists as examples "the housing crisis and exorbitant rise in the price of building sites; the communications crisis, with passengers overcrowded to the point of suffocation or storming the rooftops of buses and trains at the peril of their lives..." He goes on to the telephone crisis, the delays and losses in postal deliveries; the water crisis in which the polluted water fails to reach the upper floors; the electricity crisis, with constant breakdowns and interruptions; the shortage of medical supplies and foodstuffs.

Dr. Raafat's sample list of problems then moves on to the crisis in the transport of crops and manufactured goods from producers to depots and retailers, to the crisis in the law courts, where cases are piling up, and then to the paper, school and university books crisis. It moves on to the emigration of thousands of professional men and qualified labourers due to starvation salaries and wages and lack of raw materials, the crisis of factories which close or slow down periodically through poor maintenance of machines and lack of spare parts.

He also mentions the shortage of hospital beds for urgent cases, and of school accommodation; the problem of finding employment each year for thousands of university graduates; the problem of cleanliness, "which is virtually non-existent in our cities and villages..." and so on.

While the West experiences the effects of the leap in oil prices, life is not so much better for the average Egyptian, who is beset by costly housing, overcrowded transport, polluted water, and shortages of medical supplies and food.
IRENE BEESON of OFNS reports.

At the beginning of 1974, Egyptians hoped or tried to hope that the coming of Dr. Henry Kissinger, with his bag of instant formulae, might lead to peace at fairly short notice, even if his powers did not extend to fulfilling the promise of affluence.

They switched their gratitude and admiration from the Soviets and their weapons to the U.S. and its olive branch. Obediently they lined the hot streets and cheered wildly when the regime put on the greatest show on earth for visiting President Nixon, already at the time a powerless shadow in his own country.

In the months since, Egyptians have tried, in a state of growing confusion and increasing inability to make some sense out of a proliferation of contradictory statements, comments and analyses which daily swung them back and forth between hopes of headway towards peace and threats of a war which was "imminent," "near at hand," might break out today, tomorrow, in the spring or some time, but was, in any case, "unavoidable," according to those "in the know." And now they are further puzzled by the postponement of Mr. Brezhnev's Cairo visit.

In endless shopping and traffic queues, Egyptians are grumbling and despairing.

Restricted to campus, students have been protesting again. The Left denounces the country's foreign and economic policies and the arrest and detention of alleged "Communists." The Moslem Brothers and other religious extremists call for a return to Islam and the Caliphate, the overthrow of the regime and a purge of all Communists and atheists.

And middle-of-the-roaders are inveighing against both and hoping that something can be salvaged without recourse to Right or Left from the chaos to which last winter's dream has been reduced.

What Israeli law says about the rights of arrested suspects

By DORIS LANKIN
Jerusalem Post Legal Editor

THE RECENT developments in the police enquiries into the murder of the girl-soldier, Rachel Heller, have led to a certain amount of confusion in the minds of newspaper readers as to the procedure in the arrest of suspects, as well as some misgivings about whether the rights of the individual are given sufficient weight by our law enforcement officers.

The section of the law relevant to murder suspects provides that a police officer may arrest, without a warrant, any person whom he has reasonable grounds for believing has committed a felony. Alternatively, the police may apply to a judge of the Magistrate's or District Courts for a warrant. In this latter case they must produce a sworn affidavit to the effect that there are reasonable grounds for believing that the suspect committed an offence and that there is good cause for arresting him.

But whether a person is arrested with or without a warrant, the law requires that he be brought before a judge of the Magistrate's Court within 48 hours of his arrest. The judge may then, after enquiring into the grounds of his arrest, either remand the suspect for another 15 days or release him on bail. However, a judge is not entitled to release on bail a person suspected of committing an offence punishable with life imprisonment — which means that murder suspects will inevitably be remanded in custody for a further 15 days.

The law provides, too, in section 27 of the Criminal Procedure Law, that every arrested person is entitled, at his request, to have his arrest notified, as soon as possible, to a person close to him and to an advocate named by him. That, however, is as far as the law goes. Unlike the situation in America, where the police are required to inform a suspect that he is entitled to consult with a lawyer before replying to questions and are not entitled to question him in the absence of a lawyer if he demands to have one present, there are no such provisions in our law. The Supreme Court has, however, expressed the opinion that a suspect has a natural right to consult with his lawyer in private (if he has asked to have his arrest notified to a lawyer) and has asked the police to pay due attention to this directive. It is, in fact, accepted practice that arrested suspects be allowed to see their lawyers in private.

Secrecy

However, there is an express exception to this law. It is contained in section 28 of the Criminal Procedure Law, which lays down that a judge of a District Court may prohibit, for a maximum period of seven days, notification of the arrest of a person suspected of having committed a felony if the Minister of Defence has certified in writing that secrecy is required in the interests of the investigation. It is presumably on the strength of the last part of this provision that notification of the arrest of Yoram Bichonsky as a suspect in the Rachel Heller case, and publication of his name, was banned by the District Court.

It is true that the legislature has taken the precaution of entrusting the decision to ban notification of an accused's arrest to a judge of the District Court and has not left this to the discretion of the police. In their zeal to serve the public interests the police are not always alive to the competing, and sometimes conflicting, interests of the private individual. But it would be on the rare occasion only that a judge would fail to respond to the magic talisman of "security," or to a written declaration by the Inspector-General of Police that the interests of an investigation demand secrecy.

Furthermore, the value of the ban on notification in the interests of the investigation is questionable. In a country as small as Israel, where news travels with inordinate speed, and where the police themselves have apparently not yet learned how to remain reticent and close-lipped in face of the importunities of their newspaper acquaintances, the news of an arrest will inevitably leak out, and any attempt at a news black-out usually has the effect of discrediting the police unjustifiably in the eyes of the public. It might be as well, therefore, for the Knesset to consider whether it is desirable to retain in the statute book a law which not only violates the rights of the individual, but is also not very effective, and has the additional disadvantage of creating suspicion about the good faith of the police.

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THE LONDON "TIMES" is being very even-handed in its policy of allowing freedom to its advertisers.

After the publication of an anti-Israel advertisement recently which brought a storm of protest, the insertion reproduced below was spotted by one of our readers. It appeared at the bottom of one of the pages of "The Times" of January 2.

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A RECENT REPORT in this newspaper, pointing to dangers to health by indulging in saunas, has been repudiated with patriotic ire by a group of Finnish volunteers working at Kiryat Anavim.

They refer to an old Finnish proverb which runs: "If tar and sauna do not help, the sickness is to death" and declare that the sauna is the secret of the Finnish people's good health and longevity.

"We would like to invite the medical team who tested the sauna to Finland for a year," their collective letter runs, "and we promise they will feel better if they have a good sauna every week and dive into a lake or have a snow-bath after it. The sauna is known to have a relaxing effect in cases of mental or muscular tension."

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INDIA'S MILLIONS OF COWS, sacred or otherwise, are going to help solve the energy crisis, according to a World Feature Services article.

The Government of India has decided to set up a chain of gobar gas plants powered by cow-dung. The World Bank approves the decision and says that millions of such plants could be set up to provide fertiliser and energy for farming and cottage industries. Five cows can produce enough dung to operate a small gas plant.

The existing gobar gas plants, evolved by the India Council of Agricultural Research, are already proving a boon to farmers. It has been estimated that 220,000 animals can provide about 1.2m. tons of dung annually, which if converted into manure could increase the country's food production by about 10 million tons annually.

These gas plants will also save the country's forests by providing an alternative fuel to wood. Under the fifth Five Year Plan, some 40,000 gobar gas plants are projected.

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DIPLOMATS stationed in London will be able to sleep more peacefully, when Scotland Yard's newly formed Diplomatic Protection Group goes into action.

The Group will patrol a three-mile radius around Marble Arch on a 24 hour round-the-clock basis in maroon-coloured cars. Within this area are concentrated most of the diplomatic missions accredited to the Court of St. James. Each car will have a trained police marksman on board and will have an exclusive radio channel with Scotland Yard.

The degree of attention given to any one foreign mission, Gemini News Service reports, will depend on advice from Scotland Yard's Special Branch. Intelligence regarding threats to persons or buildings usually comes from foreign embassies abroad, home governments of missions in London, security and secret police and Interpol. Sometimes the world situation may be enough to alert the special patrols.

In an emergency, the presence of the Group will mean immediate police aid, sealing off of escape routes and quick back-up support.

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THE GLAMOUR of show-business has proved more attractive than good works to one-time film star Betty Hutton.

Last February, when she was down on her luck, Betty Hutton took on the job of cook-housekeeper at St. Anthony's Rectory in a small Rhode Island town and then converted to Catholicism.

Once known as the "blonde bombshell," Betty Hutton left her job last week and, according to Father Peter Macguire, will not be going back. "It didn't work out," he said. "She's only 53. She's still young and she'd like to get back into show business and get started again."

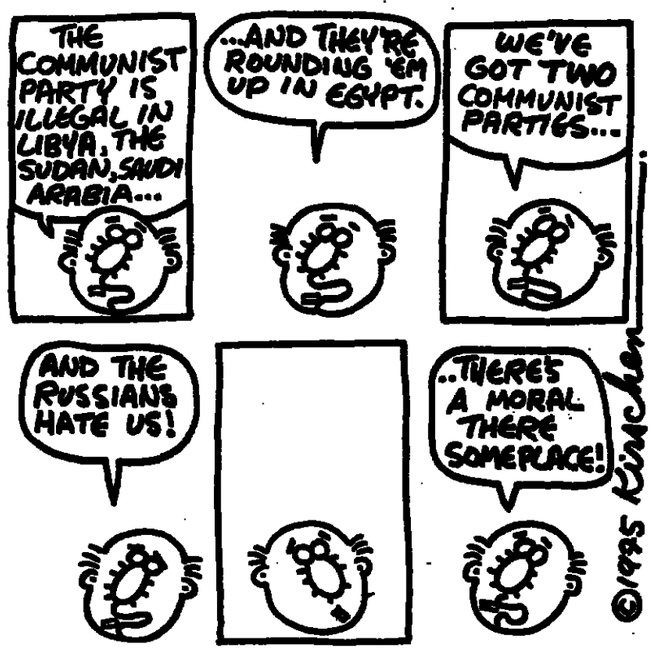


Betty Hutton — in 1948

Last June, some of her old friends threw a "love-in" for her at a New York restaurant and this apparently rekindled the old theatrical flame and she found herself unable to settle back to life in the Rectory. Three weeks ago she entered a psychiatric treatment centre and was discharged on New Year's Day.

Father Macguire will miss her. He told an Associated Press reporter: "She was a fantastic cook when she got down to it."

Dry Bones



ISRAEL PRESS

Rav Goren in the headlines

HA'ARETZ (independent) criticizes Chief Rabbi Goren's attack on the army chief chaplaincy and its recovery of bodies during the Yom Kippur War. "Until now it was generally felt that the army chaplaincy performed its difficult task with laudable devotion and efficiency. Rabbi Goren's attack last week was thus extremely surprising. Moreover, because of the delicacy of the issue, it was to have been expected of a person in his position that he refrain from raising it in a manner calculated to generate a public furore."

DAVAR (Histadrut) criticizes Rabbi Goren for "taking to the headlines" in order to land a blow at the army chief chaplaincy, with which he has been at odds ever since retiring as head of that body. Noting also that an official reply has not yet been given, the paper feels that such response should be forthcoming without delay.

HATZOFE (National Religious), discussing steps towards a further partial settlement, says that on his last visit to the U.S., Foreign Minister Yigal Allon presented Israel's views on the subject of a further partial settlement with Egypt. The ball is now therefore in Egypt's hands. And it is that country's turn to come up with some programme of its own in reply. Until it does so, says the paper, there is no sense going on with "sterile talks through the agency of Washington."

Furthermore, "Kissinger, seemingly pleased with what is happening in Moscow, is interested in expediting the negotiations. It may well be, though, that the prospect of changes in the Soviet capital make it incumbent on us not to be too hasty in drawing maps or agreeing to concessions without a full peace agreement." But "our dialogue with the U.S. must continue to be a dialogue, and not become a monologue with Kissinger doing all the talking."

READERS' LETTERS

Keep Abu Rodeis oil fields

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Obviously, Dr. Kissinger is going to pressure us to give up the Abu Rodeis oil fields and give them back to Sadat, who already has quite enough oil of his own.

It is clear that what Sadat wants is not so much to get the Abu Rodeis oil fields back, but to deprive us of their use. Then we would have to beg the Americans for every drop of oil, at a time when they do not have enough for themselves.

Therefore, I believe we should make it perfectly clear that we shall not give up Abu Rodeis under present circumstances. It is better to risk war. That risk is there anyhow, the only difference being that with oil, we will win the war, and without oil, we will lose it.

A. BASSIN

Haifa, December 28.

USE SOLAR HEATERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is a fact that our country has to pay millions of dollars for oil every year and we are convinced that prices will go on rising. A lot has been said and written about looking for alternative sources of energy, but sadly very little has been done.

As a concrete first step in the right direction, to reduce oil consumption, the government should encourage the use of solar heaters.

M. SAVIN

Tel Aviv, December 27.

Exchange Capucci for freedom for Syrian Jews

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I suppose that eventually, Church and world pressures combining, the errant Archbishop Capucci will be considered for some form of release. I personally feel he should serve out his full sentence but appreciate that such releases and exchanges are common these days, even to Israel, when they serve any purpose.

Would it not be possible to use the prevalent cynicism in these matters to arrange an exchange in which this Syrian-born man is one side of a bargain, the other being the freedom of all Syrian Jews to emigrate from that Arab paradise to whatever land they wish, including Israel.

We have the obligation to free these totally innocent people from their imprisonment. The matter could be arranged through the U.N., the Swiss Red Cross, the offices of Dr. Kissinger, or any other open or secret diplomatic channel available. Since the Arab friends of Capucci want him out, let them pay for it by releasing, at long last, the sorry few thousand Syrian Jews they illegally hold.

MAURICE PELTER

Brielle, Holland, December 26.

HOUSING FOR PARAPLEGICS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to suggest that a new housing development, such as Kiryat Telshe-Stone (December 11), should plan the ground floor in each apartment building with thoughtfulness and love for the convenience, comfort and pride of those men and their families so cruelly affected by wars and other trauma. This would not create a whole village of disabled citizens, but would instead intersperse the young and the old, the weak and the strong — and if you knew some of the paraplegics as I do, you would rightly wonder who are the strong.

There must surely be room in any new development to carry out such a plan. Among the many housing problems faced by paraplegics is finding a suitable apartment in a familiar neighbourhood of family and/or friends.

ANGELA SACKSON

Jerusalem, December 15.

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